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GARDEN SEEDS

Selected for Critical Buyers.

— GROWN AND FOR SALE BY —

A. T. COOK.

HYDE PARK,

Dutchess Co., N. Y.

My Seeds ARE LUCKY SEEDS.

MY MOTTO, HONEST SEEDS AT Honest Prices.

☞ ALL POOR VARIETIES ARE LEFT OUT OF THIS CATALOG. YOU CAN PICK OUT WITH YOUR EYES SHUT AND GET A GOOD THING EVERY TIME.

"We can never be too careful what the seed our hands shall sow,
Love from love is sure to ripen, hate from hate is sure to grow;
Seed of good or ill we scatter heedlessly along our way,
But a glad or grievous fruitage waits us at the harvest day."

DEAR FRIENDS:—I have been

Twenty Years in the Seed Business

and I do not know that I have a single dissatisfied customer. This means much. My Catalog is small, no painted pictures or bulky pages for you to pay for. To the many who have been duped by flashy and misleading catalogs, I will say that I serve all who buy of me HONESTLY, and with TESTED SEEDS of BEST STRAINS at the lowest possible price. I put the real value INSIDE my seed packets.

You Will Not Find in My Catalog

"store seed" of all ages and unreliable quality. Nor will you find seeds saved from odds and ends and unsalable refuse of crops, (I could sell such for 2 cts., or less per packet,) but instead YOU WILL FIND only the best, tried and true, honestly raised, home grown, carefully tested, and warranted to please, or order cheerfully refilled gratis.

I THANK YOU FRIENDS, one and all for your very liberal patronage and especially for the many kind and appreciative words so liberally bestowed. I wish I deserved them more. I KNOW that it is my earnest desire to prove myself worthy of the trust reposed in me, by sending out only seeds that will be a source of satisfaction and profit to all my customers.

Money Saved.

NONE OF THE large seedsmen can offer such inducements as I do. Not one can give your order as much personal attention; none can give you as many seeds and as many extras. Their high city rents and taxes, high priced help, expensive catalogs and tremendous advertising bills all forbid it. I can save you money.

☞ Do not overlook my club offers.

"There is no unbelief;
Whoever plants a seed beneath the sod,
And waits to see it push away the clod,
He trusts in God."

Seeds cheap only in price; the quality is the **BEST.**

Printed by A. T. COOK.

IMPORTANT! READ EVERY WORD CAREFULLY.

GREATLY REDUCED PRICES. Never before have I had so large and fine a stock of seeds, and never have I been able to reduce prices so much. My discounts are also better than ever before.

TERMS. Remittances must accompany all orders. I send no seeds on credit or commission.

I GUARANTEE everything sent out by me to reach you in good condition, and will replace any that may be lost or injured on the way. I guarantee satisfaction in all I offer, in so far that, should any prove otherwise, I will cheerfully refill order for the same gratis—thus I warrant everything but the crop, and make the purchase of my seeds by mail the safest investment possible.

WHAT I INTEND TO DO. 1st. Furnish the best home-grown seeds at a reasonable price. 2d. Furnish large-size, well-filled packets. 3d. Add many nice extras. 4th. Fill all orders promptly.

I DELIVER free to your nearest Postoffice, (or Express Office) everything offered in this Catalog.

REMIT the most convenient way—Postoffice or Express Money Order, Bank Draft, or Registered Letter. I will take the risk by either of these good methods: letters very seldom get lost. You may select extra packets, to pay cost of order or register. Postage-stamps taken when not convenient to remit otherwise.

ORDER EARLY. Please send in your orders early as possible—before the rush, while my stock is complete, I will have more time then, and you will be SURE to have the seeds on hand when needed.

IF I SEND you extra Catalogs or Circulars, please hand to friends: (and mention it when ordering.)

EXTRAS. A liberal number added free to all orders. ☞ Order Sheet is in back of Catalog.

SPECIAL NOTICE. If any of my customers have purchased seeds of me that did not give satisfaction, will kindly mention it when ordering this season, I will be glad to give them anything they wish of equal value. This is a standing offer. It is my sincere wish to please in all cases, and I wish my friends to feel free to write if anything should have proved unreliable.

A few Extracts from Kind Letters from my Customers.

Your seeds are the best I ever planted. Della A. McGoogan, St. Pauls, N. C.
I had rather buy your seeds than take others at a gift. Wallis Vance, Ky.
No other Seedsman has pleased me so well as you. M. E. Shell. Red Bluff, Cal.
The seeds you sent me were an unqualified success. Prof. L. B. Cushman.
Your Gem Collection of Flowers is an immense bargain. F. J. Cabot, Publisher.
You sent me twice as many seeds as I expected. Geo. H. Barnes, Roxobel, N. C.
I was delighted with the large pkts. and many extras. Mrs. E. Wright, Aiken, S. C.
I like to trade with you as I believe you belong to Church. W. C. Rickley, Mo.
I have planted your seeds seven years. Everybody likes them. Mrs. A. Hasselfield.
We never put seed in the ground that gave better results. Pub. Maine Farmer.
I have sown your seeds 10 years, and they always please. L Deal, Wattensaw, Ark.
Your generosity and promptness exceed any I ever dealt with. S. Gifford, Brooklyn.
Your seeds come up as thick as hair on a cats back. Robertson Bros. New Zealand.
I got more seeds than I ever did before for the money. Orson Leiter, Bates, Michigan.
I know your seeds to be the very best: my wife will use no other. W. Masingill, Ivey, Ga.
Your seeds were the best I ever planted: everyone admired my garden. A. A. Pittinger, O.
Your packets are much fuller than others, and so many extras. K. Parnan, Brooklyn, Mo.
I have tried many seedsmen, but want no others but yours. M. Hulsizer, Clinton, N. Jersey.
I have used your seeds over 10 years, and always had good luck. El. Morris, Hanover, Ill.
The Winter Pineapple melon is a dandy and kept till Jan. 12th. A. H Blass, Wood River, Neb.
The only objection to your seeds is, plants come up too thick. Mrs. Kate Kyle, Okolona, Miss.
The flowers were just lovely. I had all I wanted and many to give away. Jennie Miller, Mass.
I have used your seeds 8 years. I find no others as good or packets as full. Mrs. A. C. Pugh, O.
Your seeds are a great deal better than we buy at the store. Anna Gourdonia, Flambeau. Wis.
Finest tomatoes I ever saw: one Ignotum weighed 2 lbs. 14 ozs. H. B. Wallis, Macedonia, Ark.
I had the finest garden in the land: all my nabors will buy of you. J. R. Davidson, Yantley, Ala.
We were surprised at the large amount of extras—just what we wanted. M. A. Nelson, Keating, Pa.
Of all the men we ever dealt with, A. T. Cook. is the pleasantest and most reliable. "Special Crops."
Have used your seeds 8 years, and been well pleased in quality and results. M. Wheeler, Potters, O.
I never got anything of you that did not give the very best satisfaction. Mrs. John Young, Canada.
100 "eyes" produced 6¼ bushels of the nicest, smoothest potatoes I ever saw. J. O. Mason, Munn, Iowa.
The Golden Husk Tomato is truly a wonder and makes delicious pies and sauce. Mrs. Eli Webster, N. Y.
Flowers were in great variety and very beautiful, far more than I anticipated. M. E. Palmeter, Cooper Me.
I lay all other catalogs down and turn to your honest List: your seeds always please. Mrs. G. T Williams.
I come back to you for seed, and now I hope there will be "peace at home." J. R. Ellis, Fannin, Mississippi.

Money Can Be Made Easily and Rapidly.

Anyone can make good wages selling my Seeds. Almost everybody wants seeds, and all your friends and nabors will buy them of some one anyway, and YOU can have their trade—and the profits, just as well as not if you will look after it. Many Ladies desire something to do to earn "pin money" and here is a grand chance. Many people send me large clubs every year, and you can do as well. You have no idea how easy and how pleasant it is to secure orders. Those who try are absolutely sure to earn big wages. Bright Boys and Girls who persevere always do well and not only earn money fast, but what is even better, learn valuable business lessons. Now I want my seeds introduced in your vicinity and you can make money helping me, so please take my Catalog and a few sample packets—if you have them—and begin at once and go among your friends and take orders. You will be surprised to see how easily you can get up a club; nearly everyone will order a few packets at least and many will be glad to give you large orders, and almost before you know it you will have a club amounting to $10.00 $20.00 or more, and one-half of it will be yours for your trouble.

I hope you can send me many large clubs, but get up a club anyway—no matter how small. My packets are so neat, so large, and well filled, and withall my price is so low that your success must be certain. Remember I always add many new and valuable seeds gratis—fill all orders promptly—deliver everything prepaid, and guarantee entire satisfaction. Tell this to your customers, and read them some of the testimonials above and you will get them interested every time. The above discount of one-half is on packets only. See page 12 for further particulars; also for discount on seeds by weight and measure. I cannot of course give so much here, but orders for these will be generally larger, and your profits will count up fast. My Cinnamon Vines and the wonderful new Potato sells VERY FAST (you have only to read the description to be almost sure of an order) and you will DOUBLE your money on these also if you sell a fair quantity. See last pages of cover. Indeed there is a good demand everywhere for all my goods, and you can surely do well if you try and I hope you will. I will send more catalogs for distribution, order sheets etc. all you need, and do all I can to help you. How many can you use?

Wishing you much success, I am, Kindly Yours, A. T. COOK.

MY VEGETABLE SEEDS are confined to the very best sorts, and are all that can be desired for a family garden; they are far above the ordinary grades. Nothing is a greater comfort or more profitable than a good garden. My seeds are noted for extreme earliness and uniform good types. They are grown for the most critical buyers.

Specialties, Novelties, and Improved Varieties.

The following pages contain the cream (no skimmed milk of all the varieties known to the American Seed Trade. They have been mostly grown and fully tested by me—as well as the most critical gardeners in all sections, and found to possess great value and merit.

I do not indulge in extravagant illustrations and descriptions, but desire my catalog to be plain and truthful; and have an honest ring to it that my kind customers may not be deceived.

Dr. J. M. Ashby, Bruceville Texas writes:—Your new coffee is a great success. I can truthfully say it is better than the best coffee sold here at 35 cts. per lb. What I planted was beyond description. Farmers flocked to see it and clamored for some seed. I can sell a quart to every one.

New Domestic Coffee Berry.

The best coffee substitute ever discovered—many pronouncing it as good as the genuine, and is superseding in a great measure store coffee as fast as its merits become known. It is the poor man's friend. It is the hardiest, easiest raised and most productive of any plant I ever saw. While growing it is a perfect sight to behold; fruits from the ground up, and on the limbs in every direction, the pods touching each other; See coffee cut which does not exagerate its wonderful productiveness.

In the south two crops of coffee can be raised in a season by planting the first crop early.

Many claim that by mixing a few grains of store coffee with the Domestic—combining their flavors, they obtain a more delicious and aromatic beverage than the imported article.

It does well on every kind of soil and you can raise your own coffee for one cent a pound.

Ground and fed to milch cows it makes the richest and yellowest butter ever seen. It is as easily raised as corn or beans and is cultivated in the same way.

Full directions on every packet. Parch and prepare like other coffee and you will be surprised and delighted to find how good it is.

My seed is genuine, the stock seed costing $8.00 per lb. It is quite distinct from the ordinary Soya Bean that some seedsman are offering for Coffeeberry. Buy at Headquarters and avoid disappointment. I am glad to be able to make the following extremely low prices. Large packet 10 cts.; 3 for 25 cts.; 7 for 50 cts.; 15 for $1.00; all prepaid.

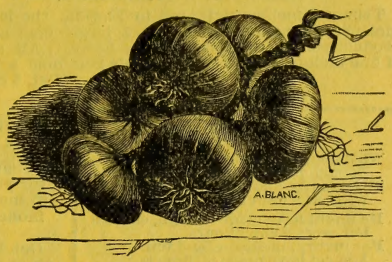
I regret I have only room for the following among HUNDREDS of testimonials.

John Baset, Alton Ill. writes:—I like your coffee as well as most of the coffee I get from the store at 30 to 40 cents per pound.

The St. Louis Christian Advocate, says:—It is one of the most wonderful discoveries of the age. We have never tasted anything that comes so near genuine.

A. I. ROOT, Publisher of Gleanings in Bee Culture, Sept. 1896, says:—The coffee-berry is a success, and preferable to the real coffee, because I think it more healthful. I want to plant a good many next season.

J. J. H. Gregory, of Mass. says:—It is a fact as we find by actual test, that it tastes so nearly like Brazilian coffee the difference is scarcely preceptible. It is certainly the best of all substitutes—nothing injurious about it; is the most nutritious of all vegetable products: it can be raised almost anywhere where corn will mature.



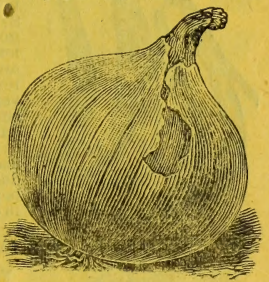
EXTRA EARLY CRACKER ONION.

It would be hard to estimate the great value of this new acquisition. All gardeners who have grown it have realized large profits owing to their extraordinary earliness. None can approach it. They are enormous croppers of handsome, flat, red bulbs of fine quality. All onion growers should plant it.

Packet 10 cts; 3 for 25 cts.

PRIZETAKER ONION.

The very best of the huge foreign varieties, and has already gained great popularity here. Universally endorsed as the largest, handsomest finest flavored, and most superior mammoth yellow globe onion ever introduced. There is more money in them than in any other variety, for the yield with HIGH CULTURE will be something immense, and the crop sure to bring twice as much as common sorts. They are mild in flavor, and good keepers. Single specimens have weighed over 5 lbs., and 1,000 bushels have often been grown on a single acre. YOU surely should grow this King of all Onions. Pkt. 10c.

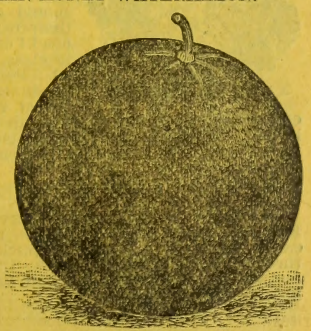


HUNGARIAN HONEY WATERMELON.

This new variety is the richest and sweetest I have ever tasted. Flesh bright red, solid very crisp, and sugary; they ripen exceedingly early, are very productive, and grow of uniform size.

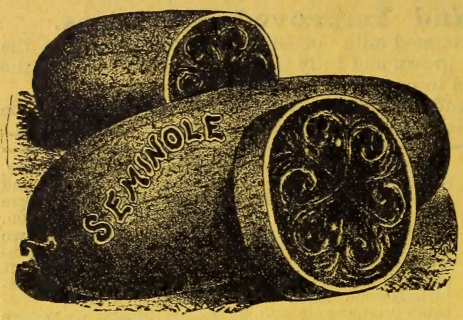
This splendid melon should be included in every order as it gives universal satisfaction.

Pkt. 5 cts.



EVERYTHING DELIVERED PREPAID AT MY LOW PRICES.	SEE MY WONDERFUL CLUB OFFERS.	EVERYTHING PACKED IN STRONG MANILLA BOXES.	MY SEEDS ARE HOME-GROWN AND SELECTED.

I KNOW there is not as much paint, not as much paper, not as many exagerated pictures and extravagant descriptions in my catalog as many have [neither is my price as high;] but my cabbages will head as well, and my flowers be as beautiful and smell as sweet as theirs. By printing a plain catalog I can give you better bargains in seeds.



SEMINOLE WATERMELON.

This new melon originated in Florida, the land of melons. It is extra early, extra large. enormously productive, and of most delicious flavor. All lovers of fine melons should give the New Seminole a trial. Pkt. 5 cts.,

FLOWERS.

"God might have made the earth bring
Enough for great and small, [forth
The oak-tree and the cedar-tree.
Without a flower at all.

He might have made enough, enough
For every want of ours,
For luxury, medicine, and toil,
And yet have made no flowers.

Our outward life requires them not,
Then wherefore had they birth?
To minister delight to man.
To beautify the earth!

To comfort man—to whisper hope
Whene'er his faith is dim,
For He who careth for the flowers
Will care much more for him!

GIRLS & BOYS

A chance for you to make money.

Get up clubs for the Cinnamon Vine.

It is easily done see pages 15 and 21.

BEANS: New Golden Prize,—Early, and very productive: pods long, brittle, and ENTIRELY STRINGLESS: of a rich golden wax color. Excellent both as a snap bean and a shell bean for winter use. The plants grow very uniform; are exceedingly hardy, and I have never known them to blight, or rust in the least. I consider them decidedly the best dwarf bean, I ever raised. Pkt. 10 c. 3 for 25 c. qt. 40 cts.

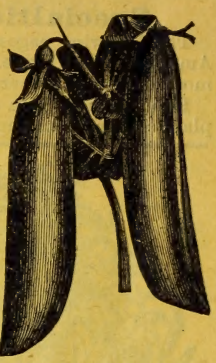
DRUMHEAD SAVOY CABBAGE.

Few are aware HOW EXCELLENT are the Savoy Cabbages. They are of much finer flavor and quality than the best of other sorts. Every family should grow some for their own use. The Drumhead I offer is the best of its class, and is aptly called "Perfection." The heads are large, finely curled, very compact, and of most superior flavor. It is an excellent winter keeper. My strain of seed is unusually choice and far superior to the imported, [which I could furnish for half my prices.] Pkt. 5 cts. 6 for 25 cts. one-fourth lb. 75 cts. lb. $2.50.

CARROT. New Oxheart. This carrot comes from France, and is a decided advance in shape, and is easily harvested; it is very thick, attaining from three to four inches in diameter. It is of fine quality, and will prove of great value both in family and market gardens. Pkt. 5 c.

H. A. Mc.QUISTON, Fair Haven, Ohio. May. 30 th. writes:— For the last three years I have planted your seeds side by side with those of our most reliable seedsmen such as * * * * * and many others; and yours always come out ahead. I have watched it closely and it has surprised me greatly: the difference must be in the vitality of seed.

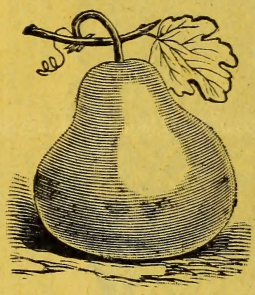
MAMMOTH MELTING SUGAR PEAS.



Rightly named. Cook same as string beans—pods and all. A dish "fit for a king." This new variety is far superior to all other sugar peas—in both size and delicious quality. Five feet high, bearing peas in the greatest profusion. Every garden should have a liberal supply. Pkt. 10c. 3 for 25c.

MONEY.

Every person who receives my Catalog should avail himself of the opportunities to make money.



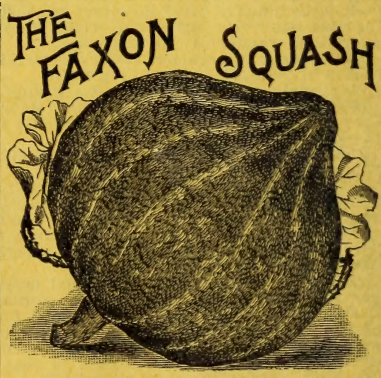
SUGAR TROUGH GOURD.

These Gourds are very useful for many household purposes. such as buckets, baskets, nest-boxes, soap and salt dishes, and for storing the Winter's lard. They grow to hold from 4 to 10 gallons each, have thick hard shells, very light, but durable, having been kept in use as long as 10 years. Pkt. 5 c., 6 for 25 cts.

MAMMOTH RHUBARB, OR PIE-PLANT.

Its stalks are much used for pies, tarts, etc. Every garden should have an ample supply of this excellent appetizer and healthful vegetable. This variety is far superior to the common sorts, and produces immense stalks very early in the spring. It has a rich, spicy flavor and is without doubt the finest variety in existence. Rhubarb is of the easiest culture and commands a ready sale in all markets at good prices—comming when fruit and vegetables are scarce. Packet 5 cts.

Mr. Joseph Stone, a squash expert says, "for dryness and sweetness the Faxon Squash cannot be excelled if equalled."



THE FAXON SQUASH.

This new and distinct variety is very early, of medium size, unusually productive and of the best possible quality. They cook dry, sweet and rich whether ripe or green—are an excellent keeper, thus supplying the table with this delicacy during three seasons—summer, fall and winter. Some Faxons are pale yellow, while others are green, mottled, etc., in fact it is a curious admixture of many sizes, shapes and colors. This is a characteristic of the squash.

The flesh is deep orange, cavity small. It is sweet and very dry, and nothing excels it for pies.

I am sure my customers will thank me for advising them to give it a trial. Packet 10 cts; 3 for 25 cts-

WHAT YOU WANT is the best seeds and the most favorable price. Send me your orders. You will get Good Seeds, Good Measure, Good Extras and plenty of them. It is easy to make selections from my Catalog. My seeds are "lucky seeds" all the unlucky seeds are left out. I sell seeds that grow and only varieties that IT PAYS to grow.

ORDER EARLY. The best time to order is just as soon as you receive my Catalog. I can always give your orders more of my personal attention if they come in before the rush. I THINK I can serve you as well as any. Order now and I will TRY HARD to give you a pleasing surprise in the amount of seeds (and extras) you get.

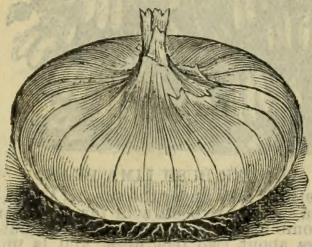
BONNET, OR

DISH-CLOTH GOURD.

This remarkable climber came from Japan. The fruit grows from one to two feet in length, and the vine is very ornamental; producing clusters of large yellow blossoms, in pleasing contrast with the silvery shaded, dark green foliage.

A natural dishcloth, and a most admirable one is furnished by the peculiar lining of this fruit which is sponge-like, porous, very tough, elastic and durable. Many ladies prefer this dishcloth to any prepared by art. As a substitute for sponges in the bath, and for many other toilet purposes, they have no equal. For fancy work they should be gathered before they get fully ripe and dry; the lining then is of a delicate cream color resembling embossed antique lace. Beautiful card baskets, bonnets fans etc. can be made from it. In the North this variety requires to be started in a hot-bed. Packet, 10 cents.

MAMMOTH SILVER KING ONION.



This new variety grows to a most remarkable size, often from 15 to 20 inches in circumference, and weighing from 2 to 4 lbs. The flesh is snow white, of a particularly mild and pleasant flavor. The Silver King matures early, and is of perfect form. It should be in every family and market garden. Pkt. 5 cts.

POWELL'S PROLIFIC POLE BEAN.

This wonderful new variety, [first introduced by me,] originated in North Carolina—a few seeds were kindly sent me for trial by Prof. R. S. POWELL, who writes:—"They are an extraordinary snap bean surpassing anything ever seen in our section—bearing profusely, and continuing until frost: they are very tender and palatable—six hills enough for a family."

I have found this bean a most rampant grower, one plant filling a pole with a mass of vines—densely loaded with luscious beans. I do not claim too much when I say they are fully TWICE AS PRODUCTIVE as any other variety in existence. They are a sight worth seeing; almost a solid mass of pods from the bottom to top of the pole. The handsome green pods average 8 or 9 beans to the pod, grow very uniform, about 6 inches long; perfectly stringless, very thick meated, tender, rich and buttery; possess an exquisite flavor when cooked—many calling it without exception the very best bean grown. It is a late variety and continues in bearing so long it might well be called "everbearing." I only offer it in packets.

Pkt. 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts. 7 for 50 cts. 15 for $1.00.

S. E. GWINN, Mt. Ida, Fayette Co. W. Va. writes: From 6 VINES of the Prolific Beans I sold 3 bushels—a family of 9 eat from them liberally, and there is still a bushel on the vines. I never saw anything to compare with them. All your seeds done well.

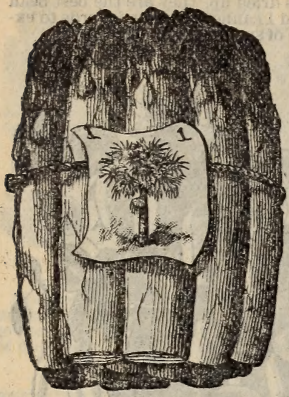
AMY THOMPSON, Pine Grove, Ohio, Oct. 23d, writes:—I raised 1800 Powell's Prolific beans on ONE VINE; which was the greatest yield I ever saw.

Mrs. C. E. LISSFORD, Kinards, S. C. writes:—from five vines we ate beans all the summer, and then gathered over one-half gallon of seed. They were the admiration of the neighborhood; I have picked a full mess of beans for dinner, without changing position at the vine. Our summer was dry,—but the vines continued green and bearing, while all other kinds of beans dried up, they are the best bean I ever saw grow, and I cannot command words to express the true value of such a garden treasure.

POWELL'S PROLIFIC POLE BEAN.

NEW PALMETTO ASPARAGUS.

This new variety is the finest ever cultivated in this country. After six years trial in nearly all sections, it is pronounced by all to be far in advance of others. Growing side by side with Conover's Colossal, under exactly the same treatment, the Palmetto proves to be at least a week earlier, the stalks are heavier, thicker, and of finer flavor. It is remarkably tender, rich and buttery when cooked, and very free from any tough or woody fiber. Every family should have a supply of this healthful and delicious vegetable, and I am sure all would, if it were known how easily and quickly it can be grown.



☞ My seed, is genuine "Palmetto," and if well planted and cared for, will produce larger and finer asparagus at TWO YEARS of age, than other varieties at five. Cultural directions on every packet.

Large pkt. 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts. ¼ lb. 40 c. one-half lb. 70 cts. pound, $1.25, postpaid.

TRULY A GIANT ASPARAGUS.—A bunch of the Palmetto Asparagus grown by Robert Nichols, a Philadelphia gardener, beats anything of the sort ever heard of. The bunch, composed of about fifty shoots, weighed 31 pounds. It was a growth of only three days. — ED. AMERICAN GARDEN.

NEW AUTUMN KING CABBAGE.

(OR WORLD BEATER.)

This peerless variety, I say without hesitation is one of the finest in this country to-day—entirely distinct and the best keeper. It produces enormous, solid heads and has such small outer leaves that it can be relied upon to produce a greater weight of crop per acre than any other variety—it all goes to head. Its peculiarly handsome, crimped leaves enables it to be distinguished anywhere. It is one of the grandest of winter varieties, and is decidedly the best MAMMOTH CABBAGE in existance.

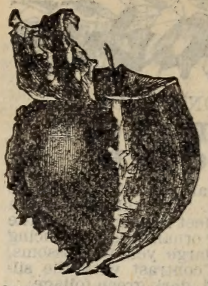
All seed grown from headquarters stock and VERY CAREFULLY SELECTED from extra solid heads, pure and true.

(Remember cheap cabbage seed is always dear.)

Packet 10 cts; 3 for 25 cts; ¼ lb. 90 cts; 1 lb. $2.75.

STRAWBERRY TOMATO.

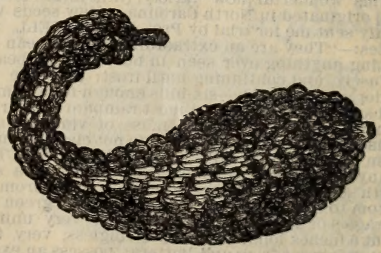
— I am headquarters for the true Strawberry Tomato, [Golden Husk, or Ground Cherry,] seed.



This distinct husk tomato, is unequalled for canning, preserving, and pies. Dried in sugar, as Raisins, or Figs, or to use in fruit cake, they are unexcelled. They are a handsome golden color,—the size of large cherries, enormously productive and will keep (if left in husks) all winter: they have a strawberry flavor, and many esteem them fully equal to that fruit to eat out of hand. This tomato is indispensible where fruit is scarce or likely to fail. Directions for planting—preserving, etc. on each packet. Selected seed, Pkt. 10 c. 3 for 25 cts.

JACKSON WONDER BUSH LIMA BEAN.

Here is "something new under the sun." A wonder indeed. The seeds have been sold for $1.00 per dozen. It is a combination snap and Lima (or butter) bean, grows about two feet high, and is immensely productive—7 quarts having been grown from 25 seeds. When the pods are young they make excellent snap beans, and later are shelled and used same as other limas. Their flavor is very rich and delicious. They are early, and continue in bearing until frost. None but favorable reports have been received. Packet 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts.



GIANT SUMMER CROOKNECK SQUASH.

This new strain is even earlier than the common variety, while the squashes grow to an extra large size—from 18 inches to two feet long, and of finest quality. They command an extra price in all markets. One grower reports $125.00 worth sold from one-fourth an acre. Packet 5 cts.

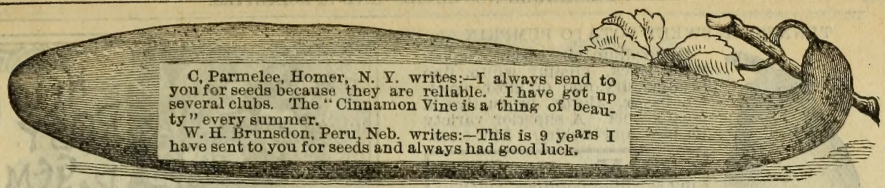
NEW SEEDS FREE FOR TRIAL.

As has been my usual custom for many years. I have again put up thousands of packets of new and improved varieties of Vegetable and Flower Seeds, and will in all cases add a liberal number free for trial among my customers.

IF PEOPLE ONLY KNEW the GREAT SUPERIORITY of high grade seeds—the many mushroom firms with their "wild cat" stock would quickly go out of existance.

BOYS and GIRLS and even grown people can make good wages selling my seeds. See the liberal discounts I offer on page 12. Catalogs, Order Sheets, etc. free.

P. BLISS, Luther, Mich. writes:—Mr. A. T. Cook. Dear Sir. Your seeds gave good satisfaction last year. Our muskmelons grew large: we raised between 300 and 400 from one packet of mixed seed. There were two kinds of long melons; the banana measured 28 inches long and 6 in. in diameter. The Vegetable Peach grew well, bore abundantly, and bushels got ripe; we preserved them, they were splendid. The Husk Tomatoes were excellent, and so were the other Novelties. I want your seeds, and our nabors who saw our garden want some also. Please send Catalog.



C, Parmelee, Homer, N. Y. writes:—I always send to you for seeds because they are reliable. I have got up several clubs. The "Cinnamon Vine is a thing of beauty" every summer.

W. H. Brunsdon, Peru, Neb. writes:—This is 9 years I have sent to you for seeds and always had good luck.

NEW BANANA MUSK-MELON.

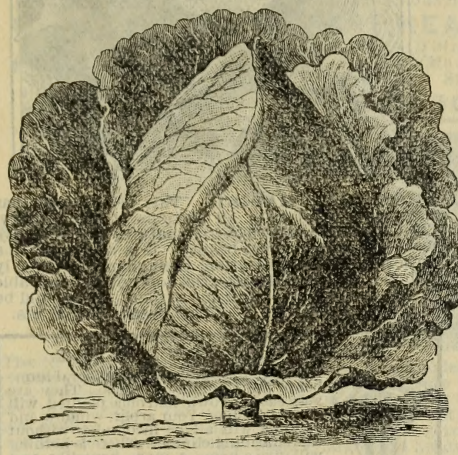
This new variety originated with one of our best growers in South Jersey, and is pronounced by him the most profitable variety he has ever grown. He realized an average of forty cents each for his entire crop, as they were eagerly sought after in the Philadelphia markets, on account of their great oddity of shape and appearance. They grow from 20 inches to 2 feet long, are very productive, with deep yellow flesh, by many preferred to any other variety, and a great curiosity. Pkt. 5 cts. 6 for 25 cts.

Do not omit the Extra Early Beet; there is no other to compare with it, in extreme earliness and good quality. ☞ See page 9.

Plant the Everlasting Flowers and Grasses, enjoy them in summer, dry them for winter and you will thank yourself for doing it.

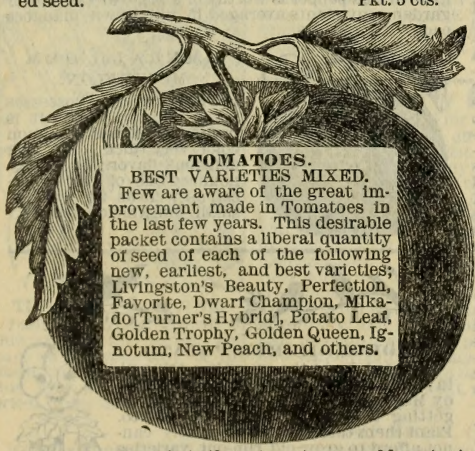
I will be glad to send Catalogs, Order Sheets, and Envelopes if you can use them to advantage. Write for what you need.

MY CATALOG IS FREE to every one who buys seeds. Please send me a list of the best names you know, and I'll send catalogs.



EARLY WINNIGSTADT.

A well known and very popular variety, heads large, decidedly conical, remarkably solid and hard, even in summer. This is a sure header, a good shipper, and suffers less from the cabbage worm than any other sort, valuable for both summer or winter use. Market gardeners and all others desiring a choice strain of this desirable cabbage should try my selected seed. Pkt. 5 cts.



TOMATOES.

BEST VARIETIES MIXED.

Few are aware of the great improvement made in Tomatoes in the last few years. This desirable packet contains a liberal quantity of seed of each of the following new, earliest, and best varieties; Livingston's Beauty, Perfection, Favorite, Dwarf Champion, Mikado [Turner's Hybrid], Potato Leaf, Golden Trophy, Golden Queen, Ignotum, New Peach, and others.

In separate packets these tomatoes would cost at least 75 cts. Every seed is grown and selected with great care. Pkt. 10c. 3 for 25c.

Miss. E. North, West Goshen, Conn. writes:—I take pleasure in getting up clubs. I found friends ready and willing to give me their orders. Your seeds are satisfactory in every way.

Geo. B. More, Grand Gorge, N. Y. writes:—I sold over $100.00 worth from my expenditure of $2.65 with you last year. Your seeds are the best I can procure.

Mrs. H. A. Warner, Buena Vista, Wis. writes:—Your seeds are the VERY BEST we ever tried, and your packets are the fullest. We thank you very much and will do all we can to advertise your seeds.

PLANT THOROUGHBRED Potatoes this year and sell your surplus to your nabors for seed; there will be a BIG demand for it. See last page.

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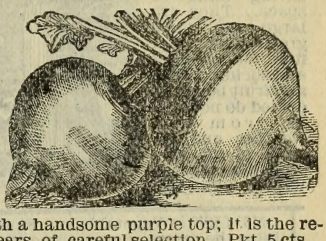
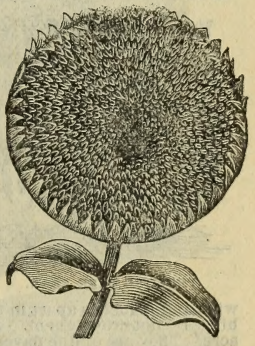
IMPROVED PURPLE-TOP YELLOW RUTA-BAGA.



This variety cannot be too highly recommended and no sort will produce such handsomely-formed roots, or greater yield. It is extra fine quality very solid, of a beautiful orange color, with a handsome purple top; it is the result of many years of careful selection. Pkt. 5 cts.

SUNFLOWERS.—GIANT VARIETIES.

This packet contains ALL the LARGEST AND BEST varieties:—Black Giant, Hybrid, Mammoth Russian, Jumbo, and Arctic:—selected seed, grown separate and carefully mixed. ALL REAL PRIZETAKERS. Heads measure from 12 to 22 inches in diameter, loaded with seed, which is excellent food for horses, a small quantity fed daily, keeping them sleek, glossy and fat. It is the VERY BEST EGG-PRODUCING FOOD known for poultry: they eat it greedily, fatten upon it, and it gives them a bright and lustrous plumage.



Large packet 10 cents; 3 for 25 cents.

Pop Corn Growing.

I PLANT POP CORN.

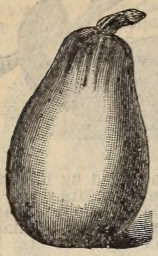
Of course the Boys and Girls must have pop-corn. They like it so well, it is so healthful, and they get such an amount of fun out of it during the long winter evenings that no family should neglect raising all that may be wanted.

My varieties are so easily grown and produces such immense crops make them VERY PROFITABLE to grow for market. It always brings good prices. This is well worth looking after by boys as well as older people. Try a large patch this year and report results.

☞ See page 9

S. G. CAMPBELL Tappan Ohio, writes:—Last Spring I got three packets of Pop Corn from you; and I raised 3½ bushels, sold 2½ bushels for $3.75 have ½ bu. to sell yet, and enough left for winter.

TENNESSEE SWEET POTATO PUMPKIN.



Of medium size, pear shaped, flesh thick, creamy white, fine grained, dry, and of most excellent flavor. Hardy, productive, a good keeper. A superior variety for pies, and cooking. Pkt. 5 cts.

TRY your hand at raising seedling potatoes, you will find it very interesting, and may grow a new variety worth a fortune. My Hybridized seed is very choice and I offer it this season at much lower rates than ever before. See page 18.

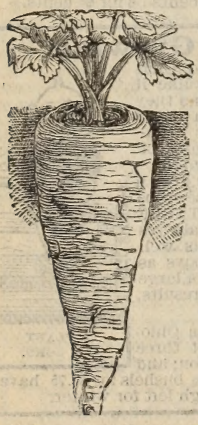
JAPANESE CLIMBING CUCUMBER.

The vines of this new cucumber are extra strong and vigorous, and great climbers—producing a surprising amount of fruit on fences, trellises, etc., thus saving valuable space. They are large size, nice green color, and fine for pickling and slicing. Vines and fruit being elevated do not suffer from wet weather and insects. I am sure all will be pleased with it. Pkt, 10c.

MY LIST of Vegetable and Flower Seeds contains the cream of everything worth planting.

NEW PROLIFIC TREE BEAN. A new and valuable variety, and by far the most prolific dwarf bean known; growing about twenty inches in height, branching out in all directions, bearing its pods so high that they do not touch the ground, enabling it to stand a wet spell without injury. They have yielded over one hundred bushels to the acre; and a single plant has produced the enormous number of 399 full sized pods. Plant in rows 2½ feet wide and 15 inches apart in the row, one bean in the hill. Do not crowd them. 4 quarts will plant one acre. They are of fine flavor. Packet. 10 cents.

PROLIFIC TREE BEAN.



IMPROVED GUERNSEY PARSNIP.

A greatly improved and wonderfully fine strain of parsnip. All praise its high quality. Grows larger than the Hollow Crown, but not so long, and is more easily gathered. A very heavy cropper, roots smooth, fine-grained, and excellent. Pkt. 5 cts.

NEW ROSE CELERY.

This is better in many respects than the white, being hardier, more solid and crisp, keeping better winter, and having to a greater degree that delicious nutty flavor so desirable in Celery.

The New Rose is best of all the pink varieties, and is very ornamental for the table with its beautiful rose-colored heart and pink stems. Pkt. 5c.

ROSY GEM RADISH. This new Radish has won golden opinions in all sections of the country. The illustration is perfect from nature, and will give some idea of their great beauty. It is absolutely the earliest radish in cultivation: their shape is perfec ly globular, with rich deep scarlet top: equally desirable for either the market or home garden, and should be planted by everybody. Pkt. 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts.

THE BEAUTIFUL CINNAMON VINE.

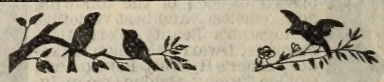
LEAF.

You should surely order a liberal number of the Cinnamon Vines. They are very easily grown, and once planted will last a lifetime. Your arbor, window and veranda will all be incomplete without this charming climber. There is nothing will give a home a more homelike and cosy appearance, or be a surer index of refinement and culture than Beautiful Vines twining about the porch and trellises. ☞ See page 21 for prices.

PEPPER. Golden Dawn Mango. The earliest, sweetest, handsomest and most productive pepper grown: entirely free from fiery flavor. For beauty of growth this pepper is worthy of a place in the flower garden: my plants averaged 15 full-grown mangoes each. Pkt. 5 cts.

EMERALD GEM MUSKMELON.

This variety possesses many fine qualities. It is prolific. The flesh is salmon color, very thick, of a rich delicious flavor. It is pronounced one of the sweetest, as well as the earliest small muskmelons grown. Pkt 5 cts.



THOROUGHBRED POTATO. Without doubt the crowning triumph in potato culture, and the greatest Money Maker of them all. Do not delay in getting a start in this great potato. Plant them this year. You surely cannot afford to grow old run-out varieties that produce but half a crop, or less. Every dollar invested in the Thoroughbred is sure to make a big return.

☞ Be sure and read last page.

ORNAMENTAL POMEGRANATE

A handsome fruit striped and spotted with orange and grows on a pretty vine. About the size of a peach, VERY FRAGRANT, sweetly perfuming a room for days; of the easiest culture.

Packet 10 cts. 3 for 25 cents.

EXTRAS GRATIS; Thousands of packets put up and awaiting my customers orders. These are mostly CHOICE NEW SEEDS with some good old stand-bys of my own selection. A liberal number of these valuable seeds will be added to every order. ☞ Order early and secure these treasures, the supply of some may be exhausted later.

I CAN MAIL seeds right to your door CHEAPER than you can buy at the store; and better still they are fresh, reliable, and HIGH GRADE. The store seeds may have wandered over the land these 20 years or more. My prices this season are MUCH LOWER than ever before. There is money in clubs. Read pages 2 and 12.

BEST MONEY MAKER.
Beyond all puestion THE GREATEST cabbage for the Market Gardener, the Farmer and everybody else. Enormous heads of finest flavor.
SUREST HEADER OF ALL.
Heading where all others fail. Receives nothing but praise from Maine to California; from Canada to Floridia. Single heads sometimes
WEIGH 50 POUNDS.

NEW SHORT-STEM DRUMHEAD CABBAGE.

FINEST STRAIN OF LATE DRUMHEAD IN CULTIVATION.

The New Short-Stem Drumhead combines, to a wonderful degree, all desirable requisites. It has a very short stem and grows very compactly. The heads are EXTRA HARD, SOLID, round, flattened on the top; they grow very uniform in size and shape, and present the handsome appearance so well depicted in the above illustration. The heads frequently attain twenty or thirty pounds in weight, and are always of the finest quality. For reliability of heading, this variety is, from long-continued selection, also remarkable. From each 100 plants set out, at least 98 large solid heads may confidently be expected. Pkt. 10 cts. 3 25c.

THE CINNAMON VINE.

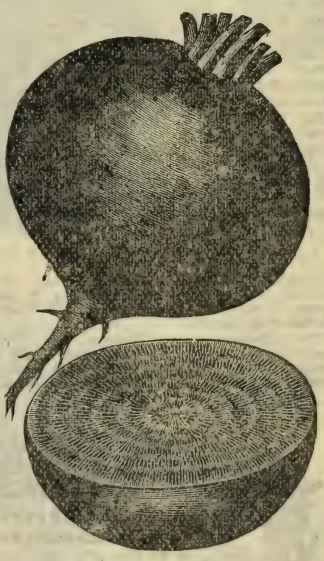
I am the largest grower of this vine in the world, and have an immense crop of the finest roots, and offer them this year at one-half former price. Order now. See page 21.

SPECIAL TO CABBAGE GROWERS.

ALL of my cabbage seed is grown from Extra Selected, Solid, Perfect Heads, pure and true. This seed actually costs THREE TIMES as much to grow as that I could buy in the oden market, but I am a practical Gardener myself and know the importance of HIGH GRADE seeds of all kinds—especially of cabbage, and I intend to offer nothing but the best that can be produced.

Extra Early Beet.

After a careful trial for several seasons, I am pleased to offer this new variety as one of almost inestimable value. How many of my Market Gardening friends believe that there is anywhere in existence, a nice, smooth garden beet, of deep red color, which will produce roots of suitable size for market TEN DAYS in advance of the old early sorts. Well friends this variety does that very thing; I was incredulous until I planted the seeds side by side; watching the growth almost daily, and saw a finely formed root develop on every plant of this new variety, fully ten days before other early kinds began to bottom. Price of Extra Early Beet; pkt. 10c: 3 for 25. 7 for 50 cts. 15 for $1.00.



VARIEGATED POP CORN. (Cut one-half natural size.)

Never before has such an attractive Pop Corn been offered as this superb variety, introduced by me. Indeed the ears are so handsome they are often used for parlor ornaments. It is very early, immensely productive, (3 to 6 ears on a stalk,) a splendid popper, bursting out very large, white as snow; tender, and delicious. The ears are of good size and beautifully variegated, red, white, and blue colors blended. It is without question the handsomest Pop Corn ever seen and will be sure to secure prizes at your Fair. Boys and Girls, as well as older ones, can get a nice income growing this corn for market as it sells at fancy prices.

Packet 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts. 7 for 50 cts. pint, 30 cts. qt. 55 cts.

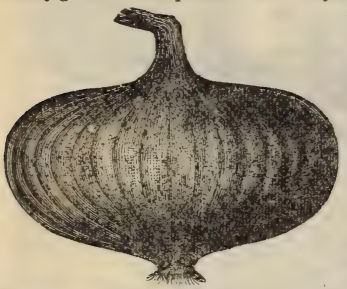
ICE PLANT. (MESEMBRYANTHEMUM.)

A handsome and very curious plant, for hanging baskets, rock-work, vases, and for house plants; also fine for beds, edgings, etc. The leaves and stems appear as though covered with icy crystals that look peculiarly brilliant and glistening in the sunlight. It is a plant that is always admired. The flowers are white. Pkt. 5 cts.

Cut shows the attractive appearance of Ice Plant in Pot Culture.

LARGE RED WETHERSFIELD ONION.

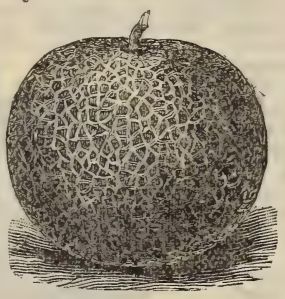
A time honored variety. Immense crops are annually grown for shipment. It is everywhere a large yielder of fine, handsome, large onions, that find a ready sale in all markets. My seed is unsurpassed, and is grown from best selected bulbs.



Beware of cheap onion seed that is often raised from scallions and unsalable rubbish. Packet 5 cents.

NEW BANQUET MUSK-MELON.

The handsomest variety grown; beautifully netted, medium size. The flesh is uniformly deep and of that granulated character which always indicates a good melon; color dark, rich salmon, unsurpassed in quality. It will produce more fine edible melons to a given area than any other variety. Pkt. 10 cents.



From C. L. Newcomb, Bridgeton, Md. I was surprised and delighted at the large quantity of seeds, and they came the quickest of anything I ever ordered from same distance in my life.

From Seward Beard, Economy, Ind. We have used thy seeds for three or four years and will say that we never dealt with any seedsman that sent out such good seed, so neatly packed, and in such liberal quantity.

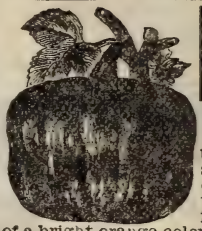
CORAL GEM BOUQUET PEPPER.
Is the finest of the small varieties. It is the prettiest thing out when grown in pots, and delights every lover of the beautiful. Besides its great beauty, it serves the housekeeper in a most convenient way when pods are wanted for seasoning. In the open ground plants grows to a height of 24 to 30 inches, so densely set
CORAL GEM
BOUQUET PEPPER

with pods as to bend its branches down. It is the best of all for pepper sauce. Pkt. 10 cts., 3 for 25 c.

HERCULES CLUB GOURD.

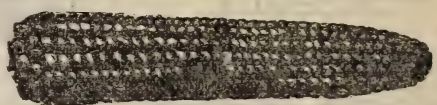
Enormously large growing, very long gourds—from 2 to 5 feet in length. The wonder and admiration of all. The shells are very hard and durable, and useful for many purposes. It is a natural climber, and nice for covering arbors or screens. If you make hills very rich, the gourds will grow to a prodigious size.

Packet 5 cents.



ESSEX HYBRID SQUASH.

An excellent variety. It is the earliest of the winter sorts and therefore can be planted quite late if desired. One of the best of keepers. The flesh is dry, sweet and thick, and of a bright orange color. It is one of the most productive squashes ever introduced and sells first rate in the market. Packet 5 cents.



POP CORN.—Cook's Improved Egyptian. I have been improving this corn, for many years, and now offer a strain of seed that cannot be surpassed.

Every one who keeps poultry, should raise a supply for feeding chickens, nothing can be better. I send out only EXTRA SELECTED seed.

Pkt. 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts. quart, 50 cents.

K. MAARTMAN, Park River, Dak. writes:—Last spring I had seeds from Wis. Mich. Mo. and Dak.—but none of them gave such good satisfaction as yours. All of yours done nicely. I was the only one in the town that grew any cabbages. I raised 200 fine heads from one packet of your seed.

MARKET GARDENER'S BEET

Undoubtedly one of the best novelties ever offered, and it receives much praise from my customers. Its shape is well shown by the accompanying engraving. It is very symmetrical with small tap root and unusually small tops. One sowing only is necessary to produce early beets for market and main crop for winter use, which is not the case with any other variety. By the first of October they measure six inches in diameter and average four pounds in weight. Color deep blood red; fine grained and unsurpassed in quality. Summing it all up, we find it a good beet for early market, and the best beet for winter use. Owing to the small tops, and the peculiar shape of the bulb it is one of the most profitable beets for the market gardener, and family garden. Pkt. 5 cts.

I love flowers: don't you? if not, your wife does—order some for her, she deserves them.

I am always glad to have customers show seeds to friends, and TELL THEM about my bargains. Please do not forget to send me a few GOOD names—both at your own and neighboring postoffices, that I may send them my catalog.

DO YOU LOVE FLOWERS? Remember my Floral Beauties when you order. I know my seeds are unsurpassed. My Customers say that finer flowers are grown from my seeds, than from some dealers costing three times as much. A home is much more attractive when surrounded with beautiful Flowers, a small sum invested will do it.

HENDERSON'S NEW BUSH LIMA BEAN.

Think of raising Limas without poles! They grow 18 inches high, in a compact bush form, and produce enormous crops of delicious Lima Beans; (a single plant has produced 270 pods.) The beans are the size of the Sieva or small Lima, and of delicious quality. It is two weeks earlier than the common Lima.
Pkt. 10c. 3 for 25 cents.

IGNOTUM TOMATO.

All should plant the new Ignotum Tomato. A "priceless paragon" in the Tomato line; the earliest, most solid and valuable large Tomato ever introduced. It will wipe out fifty old sorts at a sweep. Why grow a poor sort when you can have such a variety as this? My stock seed came from Fountainhead, (Cornell Agricultural College.) Seeds are few in the fruits, and necessarily expensive. Pkt, 10 cts.

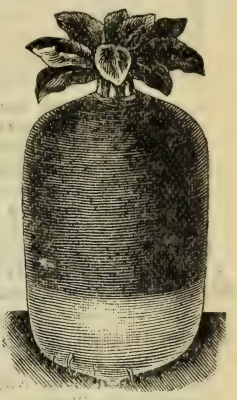
LARGE SUGAR PARSNIP:— Roots long, white, smooth, tender, sugary, and of excellent flavor. Parsnips are improved by remaining in the ground exposed to frost during winter. Pkt. 5 c.

EXTRA EARLY PURPLE TOP MILAN TURNIP

The earliest in cultivation. It is fully one week earlier than any other sort and of superior quality. The bulb is flat, medium size, smooth, with a bright purple top; leaves few. The pure white flesh is of the choicest quality, hard, solid, and fine grained. A good keeper.
Pkt. 10 cts.

GOLDEN TANKARD MANGEL-WURTZEL BEET.

This is decidedly the finest mangel in cultivation; the flesh rich golden yellow, exceedingly nutritious. It is early, hardy, and a very heavy cropper. The Golden Tankard has quickly taken the lead of other varieties. It contains a large percentage of sugar and is much relished by milch cows and sheep. It is one of the best of keepers. Farmers should give root crops more attention. The wonderful results are plainly seen in the health and condition of the animals, and in the increased yield of milk and butter in cows. Six pounds of seed will plant 1 acre, and the yield should be from 1500 to 2.000 bushels.
Packet 5 cents; lb. 40 cents.



WHITE VELVET OKRA.

Why not try Okra this year? You will like it, especially if you try this splendid new variety. It is very early, distinct, and of attractive white velvet appearance. Of superior flavor and tenderness. The young pods are nice for soups, stews, etc., and also much liked when pickled. The pods are extra large, and very abundant.
Packet, 5 cents.

NEW TREE TOMATO. WHITE VELVET OKRA.

I think this more nearly resembles a "tree" than any other. It stands up like a tree, bears abundantly, fruit medium size, smooth, bright red color, and fine flavor. A valuable and curious acquisition—very ornamental and useful.
Packet 10 cents; 3 for 25 cents.

CLUB AGENTS and all others should remember that $1.00 pays for seeds IN PACKETS to the amount of $1.50—and that $2.00 buys $3.25 worth—$4.00 buys $7.50 worth—and $10.00 buys $20.00 worth. Bear in mind I send everything in boxes prepaid, and guarantee safe arrival—no matter whether you live in Maine, Florida or California.

GENERAL PRICE LIST OF SELECTED

VEGETABLE AND FLOWER SEEDS.

Long experience in practical gardening enables me to make desirable selections, and offer only the best varieties. This is far better than a long list containing so many poor sorts, some not even worth planting. Send me an order, no matter how small, and then you will receive my catalog next year without writing for it. ☞ Order Sheet is in the back of Catalog.

MY GREAT DISCOUNTS ON SEEDS.

It takes but little more time and trouble to pack up and send a large order than a small one: the postage is also much less in proportion. For this reason, and also to encourage Club Agents to help me extend my trade; I make the following extremely liberal discounts.

DISCOUNT ON SEEDS IN PACKETS.

50 cts. buys	65 cts. worth.
$1.00	" $1.50 "
2.00	" 3.25 "
3.00	" 5.00 "
4.00	" 7.50 "
5.00	" 10.00 "

and more at same rate—just one-half price.
A great chance for all of my customers.

DISCOUNT ON BULK SEEDS,

seeds by weight and measure, Collections, Cin. Vines and Potatoes. On an order for

$3.00 to $5.00	10 per cent off.
5.00 " 10.00	15 " "
10.00 " 25.00	20 " "
25.00 and over,	25 " "

A grand chance for customers, and Club-Agents who wish to make money.

All who send me their orders are my friends, and I mean to treat them as such.
Friends, YOU have my bottom prices here. No one has—or can get better terms.
I make few ounce prices, as my regular packets are so large it would be no object.
Directions for planting, etc. on every packet. Three 10 ct. pkts. furnished for 25 c.
If desired, you may send amount you wish, and I will select for you and do best I can.
Everything securely boxed and sent prepaid at prices given. Safe arrival guaranteed.
Extras—a LIBERAL number of new and choice Vegetables and Flowers added to orders.
Don't ask for Tobacco seed: I do not believe it right to grow the vile stuff, to sell, or use it.
I mean to TRY HARD to keep every customer from year to year and have all doubly pleased.
My packets average LARGER than big City Seedmen's. I have compared them and I know it.

	pkt.	pt.	qt.
BEANS [Dwarf].			
Early Red Valentine,	10	20	35
New Golden Eyed Wax,	10	20	40
New Prolific Tree.	10	25	40
Henderson's Bush Lima,	10	25	45
Jackson Wonder Lima,	10	25	45
BEANS [Pole].			
Golden Butter Wax,	10	30	50
Early Prolific,	10	25	40
Scarlet Runner,	10	25	45
Powell's Prolific. pkt. only,	10		
Improved Early Lima,	10	30	50
SWEET CORN.			
Extra Early,	10	20	35
Stowell's Evergreen,	10	20	35
Mammoth Sugar,	10	20	35
Shoe Peg,	10	20	35
POP CORN.			
Cook's Improved Egyptian,	10	25	50
Variegated.	10	30	55
BROOM CORN. Impd. Ev'g'n.	10	20	35
PEAS.			
American Wonder,	10	25	45
Ever-bearing,	10	25	40
Premium Gem,	10	25	40
Mammoth Melting Sugar,	10	30	55
CHUFAS, or Earth Almonds.	10	35	65
CHAMPION PEANUTS, (early)	10	25	40
GIANT SUNFLOWER, Mixed,	10	25	40

ASPARAGUS.	Per pkt.	quar. lb.	lb.
Conover's Colossal,	5	15	50
New Palmetto,	10	40	1 25
BEET.			
New Extra Early,	10	30	90
Early Eclipse,	5	20	60
Long Smooth Red,	5	15	50
Market Gardener's,	5	25	75
Best varieties mixed.	10	25	80
MANGEL, Golden Tankard,	5	15	40

CABBAGE.

MY CABBAGE SEED is very choice, and is all home-grown from Extra Selected, Solid Perfect Heads, pure and true. (I can purchase seed for ½ what mine costs to grow; but the BEST is none too good for my customers.)

Early J. Wakefield, oz. 25c.	5	75	2 50
Early Winnigstadt, " 25	5	60	2 00
Fottler's Brunswick, " 25	5	60	2 00
Premium Flat Dutch, " 20	5	60	1 75
Short-Stem Drumh'd, " 30	10	90	2 75
Drumhead Savoy, " 25	5	70	2 25
New Autumn King, " 35	10	90	2 75
Mammoth Rock Red, " 25	5	70	2 25
Best vari. mixed. " 30	10	80	2 50
CAULIFLOWER.			
Early Snowball, oz. 2 50	15	8 50	30 00
COLLARDS. True Georgia,	5	40	1 10
CARROT.			
New Ox Heart,	5	25	80
Improved Long Orange,	5	25	75
New Intermediate,	10	30	90
CELERY.			
Boston Market, oz. 25	5	60	1 80
New Rose, oz 25	5	60	1 90
White Plume, oz. 35	10	80	2 50
Giant Pascal, oz. 30	10	65	2 00
Best vari. m'x'd. oz. 30	10	65	2 00
CUCUMBER.			
Early Green Cluster,	5	25	70
Nichol's Medium Green,	5	25	75
Everbearing.—New,	5	25	75
Improved White Spine,	5	25	75
New Evergreen,	10	30	90
Japanese Climbing,	10	40	1 25
Best Varieties Mixed,	10	30	85
West India Gherkin,	5	30	1 00
CRESS. or Pepper-grass.	5	20	50

THERE IS MONEY for you in planting the Thoroughbred Potatoes. Every one should give it a trial. No praise is TOO STRONG for its merits. Mr. Terry was offered $10.00, apiece for single tubers I will send 25 nice ones prepaid for $1.00. MY SEED IS GENUINE. ☞ See last page for full description.

GIRLS and BOYS LOOK HERE. (Older ones may look also;) you can earn lots of spending money canvassing for packet seeds. Take orders among your friends and nabors at my regular Catalog prices and keep the difference between the Retail and Clubbing price. Read pages 2 and 12 carefully.

	Pkt.	puar.	lb.	lb.
EGG-PLANT.				
Imp'd N. Y. Purple, oz. 40	10	1 25		
New White Pearl, oz. 55	10	1 50		
GOURDS.				
Sugar Trough,	5	65		
Dipper. Very useful,	5	50		
Bonnet or Dish Cloth,	10	1 00		
Japanese Nest Egg,	10	80		
Hercules Club,	5	75		
KOHL RABI.				
Early White Vienna, oz. 25	5	60		2 00
LETTUCE.				
Early Prize Head,	5	35		1 10
Improved Hanson,	5	35		1 25
California Cream Butter,	10	40		1 40
MUSTARD. White French,	5	10		35
MUSK-MELON.				
Emerald Gem,	5	25		70
Princess,	5	25		75
New Banana,	5	25		75
Miller Cream,	10	25		85
Winter Pineapple,—New,	10	50		1 50
Shumway's New Giant,	10	30		90
Best varieties mixed.	10	30		85
WATER-MELON.				
Cuban Queen,	5	20		60
Early Peerless,	5	20		60
Christmas,	5	25		70
Monte Cristo,	10	60		1 50
Hungarian Honey, (early,)	5	30		90
Seminole,	10	30		85
15 Best varieties mixed,	10	25		75
COLO. PRESERVING Citron.	5	25		70
OKRA White Velvet,	5	25		65
ONION.				

GOOD ONION SEED is of the utmost importance and poor seed is always dear, even at a gift. My seed is home-grown,—from choice selected bulbs of VERY SUPERIOR quality. There is much money is onions well managed.

Yellow Globe Danvers, oz. 20c.	5	40		1 25
Large Red Wethersfield " 20	5	45		1 35
Golden Oregon, " 25	10	50		1 50
Mammoth Silver King. " 25	5	50		1 65
Prizetaker, " 30	10	70		2 25
Ex. EarlyRed Cracker, " 30	10	70		2 25
Best varieties mixed. " 25	10	60		1 70
PARSNIP.				
Large Sugar,	5	20		55
Improved Guernsey,	5	25		65
PARSLEY.				
Extra Fine Curled,	5	30		75
PEPPER.				
New Golden Dawn, oz. 25	5	75		2 50
Ruby King, oz. 25	5	75		2 50
Coral Gem Bouquet, oz. 50	10	1 50		
PUMPKIN.				
Early Sugar,	5	25		60
Tennessee Sweet Potato,	5	25		75
King of the Mammoths,	10	55		1 70
Mammoth Tours,	10	30		90
RADISH.				
Early Scarlet Turnip,	5	20		60
New Chartier,	5	25		65
White Strasburg,	5	25		75
New Rosy Gem,	10	30		90
Above varieties mixed,	10	25		70
Chinese Rose Winter,	5	30		85
RHUBARB. (Pie Plant),	5	45		1 40
SALSIFY, (Vegetable Oyster,)				
Mammoth Sandwich Island,	5	40		1 25
SPINACH. Long Standing,	5	15		35

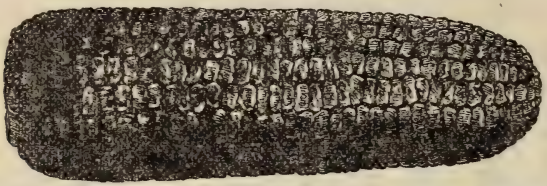
	Pkt.	quar.	lb.	lb.
SQUASH.				
Giant Summer Crookneck,	5	25		70
Essex Hybrid,	5	25		65
Perfect Gem,	5	25		65
Hubbard,	5	25		70
Faxon,—New,	10	30		85
TOMATO.				
Livingston's Beauty, oz. 25	5	60		2 00
Dwarf Champion, oz. 25	5	70		2 40
Golden Queen, oz. 25	5	70		2 40
Ignotum [new,] oz. 30	10	80		2 80
New Tree Tomato, oz. 50	10			
10 Large varieties mixed,	10	75		2 50
10 Small varieties mixed.	5	70		2 30
STRAWBERRY TOMATO- or Golden Husk, oz. 30	10	85		2 80
PURPLE HUSK TOMATO,	5			
TURNIP.				
White Egg,	5	25		60
Yellow Aberdeen,	5	20		50
Extra Early Milan,	10	30		90
RUTA-BAGAS.				
Imp'd. Purple-Top Yellow.	5	20		55
VEGETABLE PEACH. oz. 25	10	50		1 40
GARDEN LEMON, oz. 25	5			
SAGE, Broad Leaved, oz. 25	5	60		
GARDEN DOCK,	5			
COFFEE BERRY,	10			
CHINESE TEA SEED,	10			
POTATO SEED. (very choice)	10			
5 CINNAMON VINE ROOTS,	25			
25 THOR'B'D POTATOES, $1 00				
ORNAMENTAL Pomegranate, 10c.				
HERBS. all the best kinds, mixed.	5 cts.			
ONE PACKET each of all the Vegetables,	$5.00			

Flower Seeds.

THIS LIST is the cream of the flower world, embracing the finest varieties in cultivation, and mostly of very easy culture. If properly cared for they will surround your home with the most beautiful flowers the entire season.

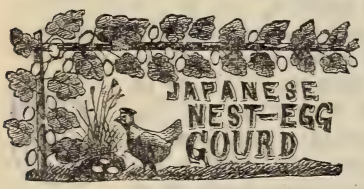
ASTERS. Finest Double Mixed. 30 varieties,	10
AMARANTHUS. A grand and unique bloomer.	5
BALSAMS. Finest Double, mixed.	5
CALENDULA, Meteor. The handsomest of all,	5
CANDYTUFT. Pure White ; very fragrant,	5
CHRYSANTHEMUMS. A grand mixture,	5
CLARKIA. Charming flowers. All Colors,	5
COCKSCOMB. Very Choice Mixed,	5
CYPRESS VINE. Fine mixed colors,	5
DIANTHUS OR PINKS. Finest double mixed,	5
GILIAS. All the nicest varieties and colors,	5
HOLLYHOCK. Fine mixed colors,	5
ICE PLANT. A Grand and Unique plant.	5
LOVE IN-A-MIST.. A free-flowering annual,	5
MORNING GLORY. A great assortment,	5
NASTURTIUM, Imperial Tom Thumb vari. mix'd	10
PANSY, Good mixed, many colors,	10
GIANT PANSIES. 50 Fancy and Prize Varieties,	20
PETUNIAS. Forty varieties and colors,	10
PHLOX. Choicest bright Colors mixed,	5
POPPIES. Many nice varieties Mixed,	5
PRIZE POPPIES. 40 of the Grandest Sorts mixed,	10
PORTULACA. A large variety or brilliant colors.	5
RICINIS, Tricolor. Very ornamental, 12 feet,	10
ROSE-OF-HEAVEN. Ornamental and Charming,	5
SENSITIVE PLANT. Curious and interesting,	5
SWEET PEAS. A Gilt Edge Mixture, 50 varieties,	10
SWEET WILLIAM. 25 Best and choicest varieties.	5
VERBENA A superfine mixture,	10
ZINNIA. Large Double. 20 beautiful colors,	5
EVERLASTING Flowers and Grasses. 20 kinds,	10
MIXED FLOWERS. Over 300 choice varieties,	15
ONE PACKET each, of all the Flowers,	$1.25.

CHAMPION PEANUT. This new variety is the result of years of the most careful cultivator, and will be found to far surpass any other variety. It is early, of large size, and extremely prolific—having yielded 100 bushels per acre. Directions for planting etc. on each packet. Pkt. 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts.



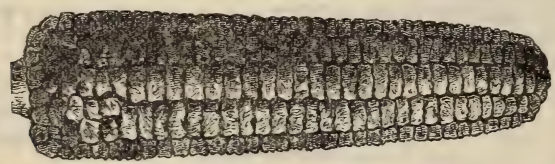
MAMMOTH SUGAR Corn: The largest eared, and one of the sweetest known: ears weighing from 2 to 3 pounds each: it remains in season a long time. Your garden will be incomplete without this splendid late variety. Pkt. 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts. quart 35 cts.

JAPANESE NEST-EGG GOURD.



This new and beautiful variety, varies in size from a pigeon's egg up to a goose egg, but mostly the size of hens eggs, and so exactly the color and shape, as to almost deceive the eye. The shells are hard and durable, and make the very best nest-eggs, as they neither freeze or crack. The largest ones, (when sawed into), make excellent pots for starting tomato, strawberry, and other plants.

The Nest-Egg Gourd, is a rapid and desirable climber: quickly covering old sheds or any unsightly object with a mass of green foliage, thickly dotted with beautiful white eggs. Boys you can make lots of money growing this gourd, and selling them to your neighbors, for nest-eggs. Pkt. 10 cts.



STOWELLS IMPROVED EVERGREEN SUGAR CORN.

This grand old favorite now greatly improved is without doubt best for main-crop. For table use, for market or for canning it is more used than any other. Of excellent quality, tender and sugary; a vigorous grower, and immense yielder—often having 2 to 4 large ears on a stalk. 195 bushels of ears have been grown on a single acre. Every one who plants for profit or home use should grow it. Packet 10 cts.; 3 for 25 cents.

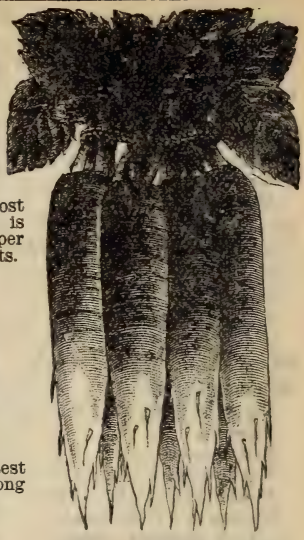
COLORADO PRESERVING CITRON.

This is quite distinct from the ordinary preserving citron, the seeds being of a light green color. It is immensely productive; one vine produced 25 fine melons, weighing from 10 to 30 pounds each. The flesh is very firm and solid, with few seeds, and makes beautiful, clear, transparent preserves of surpassingly fine flavor.

Pkt. 5 cts.

MY SEEDS GROW.

COULD YOU not induce 1 or 2 of your nabors to send with you for seeds? By taking advantage of my discounts it will pay you well for every hour spent, and I will be grateful for your kindness.



NEW CHARTIER RADISH.

This valuable introduction, is far superior to any long variety now in cultivation. In quality and flavor unsurpassed: early, handsome, unusually crisp, tender and juicy; and remains in good condition a long time. Packet 5 cents.

GIANT PASCAL CELERY.

This is without doubt the the best general purpose celery ever introduced. The stalks are remarkably large, thick and solid; entirely stringless with a golden heart, very crisp and brittle, rich nutty flavor. It blanches VERY EASILY and quickly, requiring but little earthing-up; a most vigorous grower—succeeding well under almost all conditions. It seldom rusts or rots and is most excellent for shipping. Every market and private gardener should grow it largely.

Selected seed per pkt. 10 cts.

PLANTING, CULTIVATING, AND STORING CELERY FOR WINTER.

A concise treatise plainly telling the best methods of managing this important vegetable—sent free (if requested) to all who order two or more packets of Celery seed.

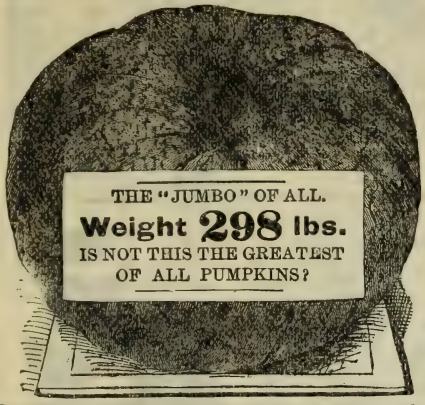
TO DAY while you are reading this, make out a list of such seeds as you desire from my Catalog. This is the safest plan as it avoids all possible delay, and you will feel better to have the seeds early, and ready to sow just as soon as the weather permits. Order to-day, do not delay; it don't pay to be late. ☞ Extras free with every order.

MY MIXED Vegetable seeds are worthy of special mention. In no other way without great outlay can so large and varied an assortment be obtained for the garden. The packets are all extra large; the varieties choice; all grown separate and carefully mixed. Try at least the mixed water-melon and tomatoes, 10 choice varieties in each packet.

The Great Prize Pumpkin.

KING OF THE MAMMOTHS.

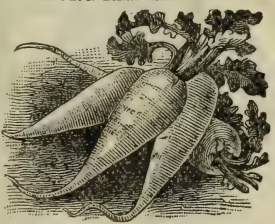
This grand, colossal variety is without a rival, astonishing everybody by its mammoth size and heavy weight. Indeed no other pumpkin has ever attained such enormous weights, or been awarded as many prizes. Think of it a single pumpkin weighing 298 lbs. (See Cut.) Is not this the greatest of all pumpkins? In France they have been grown to still greater size, and as many of my customers have as good, rich soil—as highly productive, as any there is in



France or anywhere else on the face of the earth, I see no reason why they cannot be grown much larger here. The flesh and skin of this monstrous pumpkin is a bright golden color, very fine grained, and of excellent quality; notwithstanding its enormous size, it is one of the best pie or table pumpkins ever grown, and is a splendid keeper. I hope all enterprising pumpkin growers will give this variety a trial. You will be sure of a prize at your County fair. Full directions on every packet, giving best methods of planting etc. to secure the largest specimens. Seed saved from EXTRA LARGE pumpkins,

Packet, 10 cts, 3 for 25 cts., 7 for 50 cents.

WHITE STRASBURG RADISH.



Suitable alike for private and market gardens. It is of a tapering shape, skin and flesh both pure white. It is an excellent summer variety, being tender, crisp, and of fine flavor, and a quick grower. It possesses the most desirable character of retaining its crispness even when the roots are old and large. Pkt. 5 c.

MIXED FLOWER SEEDS.

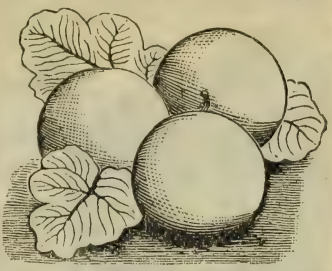
THIS IS A SUPERB COLLECTION of mixed flower seeds;—over 300 varieties in one large packet. I am putting up a larger variety than ever before, which adds greatly to their value. If carefully sown and cared for will produce an astonishing variety of flowers. No one who has not seen such a bed can form an idea of its dazzling brilliancy or great beauty, the different seasons of bloom, showing something new every day. Pkt. 15 cents; 2 for 25 cts. 10 for $1.00.

NEW DWARF CHAMPION TOMATO.

This variety is entirely distinct; it is very dwarf in habit, and can be planted as close as three feet. It has proven itself remarkably early: ripening its large fruit as early as July 1st. it is an immense cropper. Price 5 cts. per pkt.

VEGETABLE PEACH OR MANGO MELON.

I am proud to have been the introducer of this very popular and desirable little fruit that I first gave to the public in 1887. They are now cataloged, and highly recommended by every prominent seedsman in the land. They are the most beautiful of vegetables growing on vines same as melons, and resembling oranges in color, shape, and size. The



flesh is snow-white, makes handsome and delicious preserves and sweet pickles; excellent fried, and for mangoes they have no equal. Extremely early, of the easiest culture, and a wonderful yielder, covering the ground with its golden fruit calling forth words of astonishment and admiration. Try it and I know you will be pleased with the result. Directions for growing,- use of fruit, etc. on each packet.

Packet, 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts. 7 for 50 cts.

WHITE PLUME. CELERY.

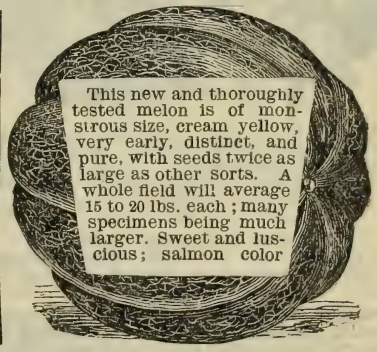
This is one of the best of the so called Self Blanching varieties, as it needs but little banking up. Its eating qualities are equal to the best of the older sorts, being crisp, solid, and of a pleasing nutty flavor, while its white feather-like foliage places it ahead of all others as a table ornament.

Pkt. 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts.

HAVE YOU tried to get up a club for my seeds?

SHUMWAYS GIANT MUSKMELON.

This large showy melon will take well in every market, and scoop in the prizes at the Fairs.



This new and thoroughly tested melon is of monstrous size, cream yellow, very early, distinct, and pure, with seeds twice as large as other sorts. A whole field will average 15 to 20 lbs. each; many specimens being much larger. Sweet and luscious; salmon color flesh of pleasant flavor. True stock direct from the introducer. Packet 10 cents; 3 for 25 cents.

PREMIUM GEM PEAS.

A very fine Extra Early variety, pods large, long, well filled, and extremely productive; quality delicious. The best, and most profitable early wrinkled pea for Market Gardeners, and for family use has no superior.

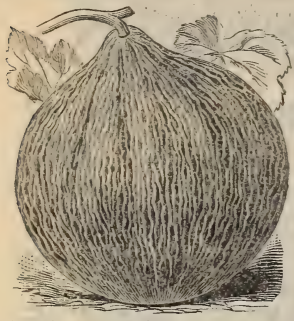
Packet 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts.

MY SEED

is the very best I can grow or get. None are cheaper QUALITY for QUALITY. I do not undertake to compete with cheap and unreliable foreign grown seeds, or those raised from scallions or refuse of crops.

WINTER PINEAPPLE MUSKMELON.

The Winter Pineapple differs from other muskmelons, in shape and appearance of the fruit and its wonderful keeping qualities. The melons weigh from 9 to 11 lbs. each. It is a most valuable novelty.



These splendid melons do not ripen on the vines like other muskmelons, but have to be picked in a green state, before frost; lain away in a cool, dry place where they will keep sound and sweet for several months. When wanted for use bring them in a warm room, where they will ripen in a few days and be ready to eat. The flesh is unusually thick, solid and melting; a light green color and has the most delightful flavor imaginable, being rich, spicy and delicious, with an agreeable pineapple taste.

The artist, (Mr. Blanc, of Philadelphia,) who has made engravings of, and tasted nearly all the new melons introduced in the past ten years, says: "Winter Pineapple, is decidedly the finest flavored muskmelon I have ever tasted.".

Large pkt. 10 c., 3 for 25 c., 7 for 50 c.

The Chinese Tea Plant.

I have seed of the genuine Chinese Tea Plant grown on American soil. This plant can easily be grown in this country and, is hardy south of forty degrees north latitude. There is no reason why my customers should not raise their own tea. A few seed raised of this valuable plant would soon make trees that would furnish all the tea a family would want, and equally as good as the best tea of commerce. In the north this plant may be grown in pots or tubs, as a curiosity. I have only a limited supply to offer. Each seed is as large as a small chestnut.

Pkt. of 5 seeds, 10 cts. 3 pkts. 25 cts.

NEW GARDEN LEMON.

It resembles the Vegetable Peach in manner of growth and shape of fruit, is somewhat smaller, has thinner flesh, and decidedly more acid. Pkt. 5 cts.

PURPLE HUSK-TOMATO.— This new, and beautiful variety produces fruit in great abundance, from one to two inches in diameter, enveloped with a husk. In sections devoid of fruit, many esteem them highly; a great curiosity. Pkt. 5 cts. 6 for 25 cts.

GOOD PAY
FOR
DOING GOOD.
—o—
MONEY EARNED EASILY.

Do you want

a Watch, Organ, Bicycle, Sewing Machine or other useful article? You can soon earn enough getting up clubs for my seeds to obtain them. No especial talent is required, industry is all that is needed.

Any one—even children can do well if they try. Many workers earn from $2.00 to $10.00 per day. You should do as well. You will also do your nabors a favor by selling them seeds as good and cheap as mine. Read page 2 and go ahead; and I wish you success.

FLOWERS.

Plant flowers carefully, from house to the roadside,
To make every passer-by gaze with delight;
You can pick them for bouquets or entwine in your tresses,
And beautify home from morning 'till night.

BOYS, YOU CAN MAKE LOTS OF MONEY growing and selling Vegetable Plants: I know you can for I used to do it myself. I have sold over $50.00 worth of celery plants alone to my nabors in a single season. Cabbage, tomato and celery plants sell best: there is also a good demand for pepper, cauliflower, lettuce, strawberry-tomato, and egg plants. Asparagus plants always sell well and at big prices.

You can soon build up a very profitable business in plants if you try, for there is everywhere a good demand for them at paying prices. After you have your early beds all made and planted, and have sent in your club for Cook's Seeds, you may go

SWEET PEAS.

This is a gilt-edge mixture, containing all of Eckford's Finest Hybrids and many other choice varieties. My strain of seed won first prize at Chicago Worlds Fair.

They are a very beautiful free flowering, highly ornamental plant, easy of cultivation, and flourishing in any good soil; will continue blooming till destroyed by frost. The great popularity of this flower has led me to take great pains in making this collection. Pkt. 10 c. 3 for 25c. ¼lb. 35c. lb. $1.00.

LIVINGSTONS EVERGREEN CUCUMBER.

This new sort is proving of great value. Very hardy, an evergreen to a remarkable degree, and bears prodigiously until frost. A very strong grower, extra early, and of the best flavor, firm and crisp; unexcelled for pickling or slicing. It is a favorite with all growers.

Per pkt. 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts.

☞My Introduction Box of Vegetable seeds and Gem Collection of flower seeds, is designed expressly for new customers, the seeds being offered at a mere nominal price for trial. My old customers may also have the advantage of these low priced collections I only asking as a favor that they use their influence in introducing my seeds among their friends.

I WILL gladly send my Catalog to all your friends, who PURCHASE SEEDS. I think I can save them money. Please send me a list of best names you know (on a separate sheet of paper) and I will remember your kindness. You will also do me a great favor by telling your friends about my seeds. They are all carefully tested.

DISCOUNT ON SEEDS. It takes almost as much time and labor to fill an order for 10 or 20 cts. as one for $1.00 or more. Hence I am able to make a discount on larger orders; for this reason and to encourage Club-raisers to introduce my seeds. I make the extremely liberal terms offered on pages 2 and 12. Be sure and read them.

EARLY SNOWBALL CAULIFLOWER.

The earliest, the surest header, the best and most profitable of all cauliflowers. It is hardly necessary to describe this variety at all, as its name has become a household word wherever this delicious vegetable is grown. Snowball Cauliflower is the standard everywhere for superb quality with all market and private gardeners. It is a very compact grower and is absolutely certain to form a good sized head when the conditions are right; is good the entire season, and is rapidly driving out the later sorts for fall use. Cauliflowers are easily raised and every family should grow a supply.

☞ My seed is American grown and very choice.

Pkt, 15 cts. 2 for 25 cts, 5 for 50 cts. per oz. $2.50.

MONEY FOR ALL

who will make a little effort.

The Cinnamon Vine is one of my great specialties and I supply most of the leading Seedsmen in the United States and Canada. Buy at Headquarters; my prices—always low, have been CUT DOWN ONE-HALF. A beautiful Lithographed Colored Plate furnished for 5 cts. or free with an order for 15 roots. With this to show, any one—even children can—make big wages taking orders for roots, as everybody will want them. Begin at once. See page 21 for particulars and prices.

SWEET CORN.

NEW EXTRA EARLY.

The VERY BEST, and earliest sweet corn grown: ears 6 to 8 inches long: a very strong grower, productive, and sweet. ☞ Especially valuable for the market-gardener, to completely control the early markets. Pkt. 10c.

RICINUS, (TRICOLOR.)

The most magnificent and ornamental of all plants, flourishing everywhere and speedily attains giant proportions. They make a striking figure on lawns, etc. with their immense picturesque foliage, red stalks and scarlet fruit, I have grown them 10 to 12 feet tall with leaves 3 feet broad.

Pkt. 10 cts; 3 for 25 cts.

P. Bliss, Luther, Mich. writes:—We had lots of watermelons, both early and late. We raised about 800, some weighing 30 lbs. each—all from one packet of your mixed seed.

(See side lines in this catalog.)

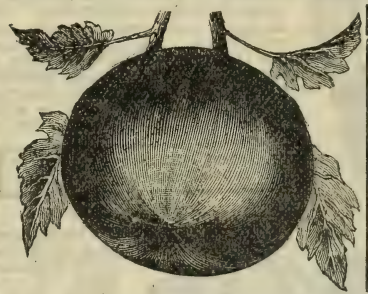
MAMMOTH TOURS PUMPKIN.

A popular French variety which grows to an immense size often weighing 100 to 150 pounds. A good keeper; desirable for cooking purposes or stock feeding. Pkt, 10 cts.

NEW INTERMEDIATE CARROT.

This is certainly the best main crop carrot, of deep orange color, large size—often 3 inches in diameter and 10 or 12 inches long, very regular and smooth, and the most uniform of all. For private growers and truckers it is ideal, being of the highest quality—and for stock feeding it is of the greatest value its yielding capacity being perfectly enormous.

Packet 10 cts; 3 for 25 cts.



W. C. Rickey, Little Blue, Mo. writes:—We were much pleased with previous orders—how else could we be when you sent seeds to nearly double the amount sent you in payment.

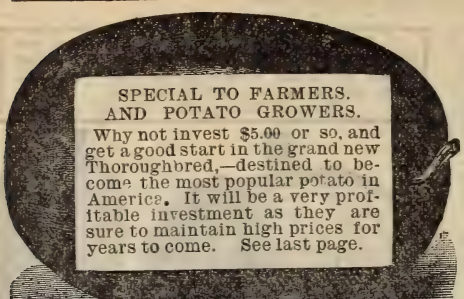
GOLDEN QUEEN TOMATO.

One of the very best tomatoes ever introduced. It is solid, very smooth, free from ridges, large in size, ripens up early, and is by far the most beautiful yellow variety ever sent out. None is better for preserving or slicing, the handsome, golden yellow slices make a beautiful contrast in a dish with red tomatoes. It has very little acid. Packet 5 cts.

CALIFORNIA CREAM BUTTER LETTUCE.

This new variety forms a large, round, solid head; outside green, and within a rich cream yellow. It is particularly sweet and buttery to the taste and remains for weeks of the finest quality. A great improvement over most others. Pkt. 10 c. 3 for 25 cts.

☞ ALWAYS REMEMBER that I pay the postage on everything offered in this Catalog, and guarantee safe delivery to your Postoffice.



SPECIAL TO FARMERS.
AND POTATO GROWERS.

Why not invest $5.00 or so, and get a good start in the grand new Thoroughbred,—destined to become the most popular potato in America. It will be a very profitable investment as they are sure to maintain high prices for years to come. See last page.

CHRISTMAS WATERMELON. A valuable new and distinct variety which has attained great prominence on account of its wonderful keeping and shipping qualities, it being not uncommon to have them in good condition two or three months after being harvested. Hundreds of customers state they keep until Christmas in perfect condition. The flesh is of a beautiful rich scarlet, very solid, and of delicious sugary flavor. The vines are hardy and vigorous and very productive. Its uniform size and handsome, fresh appearance make it one of the most salable of watermelons. Price per pkt. 5 cts. 6 for 25 cts.

MAMMOTH SALSIFY,
OR OYSTER PLANT.

A vegetable that is sure to be called for where it is once introduced. It is a good substitute for oysters, having a very similar flavor; it is very wholesome and nutritious. The roots are either boiled or mashed, and made into fritters, in which form they are delicious. For an oyster stew; cut the roots into small pieces, cook until tender, then add the other ingredients same as for oysters. The roots are perfectly hardy: may remain in the ground all winter. No garden should be without this splendid vegetable. Pkt 5c.

Invest a small sum and have a beautiful Flower Garden.

EARLY JERSEY WAKEFIELD CABBAGE.

This is preeminently the best extra early cabbage in the world. It is of large size for so early a kind, and is well deserving its popularity. It heads up remarkably hard and solid; can be planted close and is very desirable for early market.
Pkt. 5 cts.

All of my cabbage seed is very choice, being raised from the best hard heads, carefully selected.

Gardeners! plant them this year and you will agree with the verdict that "they are the best in the world."

IF PLANTERS everywhere knew the great excellence of my Short Stem Drumhead Cabbage, my large supply of seed would not meet the demand.

Dr. J. M. Ashley, of Tex writes, O goodness! what cabbage I did make from your Short Stem Drumhead; all that saw them were almost thunderstruck.

B. G. Kimball, Brookfield, Mass. writes:—The Variegated Pop Corn is the best we ever had, so very sweet and tender. Your seeds are extra good; will get some orders.

Sarah G. Frazier, Marysville, Kan. writes:—A. T. Cook. Dear Sir. Your seeds etc. were duly received. I don't believe a single seed failed to produce a strong, vigorous plant. I also have beds planted from other Firms and one can readily tell the difference in the QUALITY of seed by looking at my garden. Of the 111 Potato "eyes" (sent me for 100) I had 106 fine plants. Quite a number of persons who have seen my garden, and been told of your generosity, will send to you next year. I hope I have not wearied you, I wished to express the pleasure I have taken with plants grown from the BEST SEED I have ever used.

GIANT PANSIES,
FIFTY COLORS, SHADES AND MARKINGS.

Pansies are universal favorites, the loveliest, and most popular of all flowers. Every yard must have its Pansy Bed. They bloom very early, and will continue to produce bright blossoms the entire season, making a wondrous display.

The Pansy has long been a specialty with me, and I have devoted much time and trouble getting seed of the largest and most perfect blooms in all their matchless forms, and various types, colors and markings. My unrivalled mixture, contains an immense numbers of Fancy, Showy, and Giant Varieties. They will both astonish and delight you. I believe this collection to be unsurpassed by any in existance. Their size, their endless variety, their brilliant beauty and long continuation of bloom commend them to every genuine lover of flowers.

No one should fail to plant a packet.
Price 20 cts., 3 for 50 cts., 7 for $1.00.

Hybridized Potato Seed.

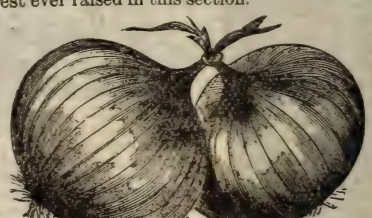
SEED BALLS.

I have the pleasure of offering a very choice strain of Potato Seed—the product of numerous hybridizations between many of the best new and old varieties in cultivation. Growing new sorts from the seed-ball seed is a very interesting employment for old or young. There is the widest range of difference in color, shape and general characteristics between the different seedlings; every one is more or less unlike every other. Great success has already attended the attempt to improve this valuable esculent, and the end is not yet—many varieties will yet be found which will bring a golden harvest to the fortunate growers, and prove of inestimable value to the world.
Directions for planting, cultivating etc. on each pkt.
Price, 10 Cts. per Pkt. 3 for 25 cts. 7 for 50 cts.

From E. A. Goodspeed, Shamrock, N. Y. Aug. 31st. 1896. I have got a grand seedling potato from your seed, and have raised 400 bushels. A prominent seedsman wants to introduce them and is trying to buy me out. I have six more seedlings that are more than good.

From Jesse Green, Ill. I have one of your seedlings that is from one to two weeks ahead of Early Ohio, Early Rose, or Beauty of Hebron, and were fully ripe, July 12th (others still green.) They are very productive and the best eating potato I have.

WM. M. JOHNSON, of Tampico, Ind. writes:—"The packet of Potato-seed you sent me done well. Some look like the peach-blow, —some are a beautiful pale pink, large and long for a seedling the first year, they are a beauty. Some large white, purple eyes:—some round, pale red, 30 to 50 in a hill:—some pale blue:—some white, flat, and three inches or more long;—two hills of black potatoes, &c. &c. I never saw so many different colors and shapes. If they grow in the same ratio another year, they will be the largest ever raised in this section."



YELLOW GLOBE DANVERS ONIONS.

A standard variety, very popular for family use and market purposes more largely grown than any other. Reliability large yield, and ready sale are all combined in this variety. Flesh white, very fine grained, mild and pleasant flavor; and an excellent keeper. Packet 5 cents.

MY LIST is short.—I have left out the poor varieties. Is it not better so? I try to avoid extravagant descriptions, as I want my list to be plain, truthful and trustworthy.
MY SEED is not such as is usually left around at the stores in boxes to be sold on commission. I could sell such at half my prices, (and they would be dear at that.)

A GOOD POINT. I offer ONLY best varieties. My customers will not be confused and be misled by a large list of sorts, (many of them comparatively worthless.) I am thus much better able to get, grow and sell strains of superior excellence, that my customers can rely upon. ☞ My seeds are warranted—see pages 2 and 12.

NASTURTIUMS.

IMPERIAL TOM THUMB VARIETIES MIXED,

One of our showiest and most popular annuals, forming compact plants, not over one foot high, making gorgeous masses of color from early summer until killed by frost. Succeeding under all weathers and conditions; splendid for vases and hanging baskers, and unsurpassed for garden decoration. This is a superb collection—flowers of great brilliancy and richness. I offer a range of colors that will be sure to please my patrons.

Very choice, pkt., 10 c.

SPECIAL TO GIRLS AND BOYS,

[OTHERS MAY READ ALSO.]

I am the friend of every one who loves flowers, and to show you how much I can favor you I have placed the price of my grand Gem Collection on page 21 at only 25 cts. This is the best of all my good bargains, and surely in return you will do what you can to help me introduce my seeds, by showing my catalog and telling all your friends.

I hope you can get up a club also for my seeds, as many other Girls and Boys are doing. Try it.

NEW EVERBEARING CUCUMBER.

I wish to call special attention to this entirely new and unique variety. It is of small size, very early, enormously productive, and valuable as a green

pickler. The peculiar merit of this novelty is that the vines continue to flower and produce fruit until killed by frost—whether the ripe cucumbers are picked off or not; in which respect it differs from other sorts. Be sure and order a packet. Pkt., 5c.

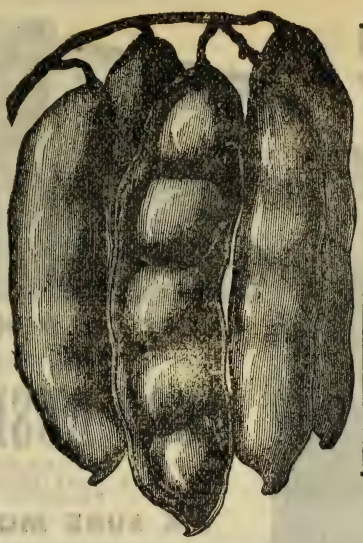
CHUFAS, OR EARTH ALMONDS.

These very closely resemble in sweetness and richness of flavor a cocoanut or almond. They are much grown in the South to fatten swine, poultry, etc. They succeed perfectly at the North: my plants yielding from three to six hundred fine chufas each.

They are a rich and healthy food for poultry of all kinds. Directions for planting etc. on each packet.

Pkt. 10 cts.

Report of New Hampshire Agricultural College, Nov 23d 1896. Your Variegated Pop Corn yielded a heavy crop of mature ears of fair size. As its name implies the kernals are of various colors giving it an attractive appearance.



[CUT ONE-THIRD NATURAL SIZE].

GIRLS! Do you love Flowers? If so be sure and order a Gem Collection—14 pkts. for only 25 cts. Better still get up a club of 12 [all your friends will want it] and keep $1.00 for pay. See page 21.

EXTRA EARLY POLE LIMA. Best Lima Bean grown, either for home use or market, very productive. It is the most tender and delicious of all the bean family; is the result of long and careful selection. ☞ 10 days to two weeks earlier than other sorts. Pkt. 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts.

ZINNIAS.

LARGE DOUBLE, MIXED COLORS.

No flowers are more easily grown from seed sown in the open ground, and few bloom so continuously and abundantly throughout the entire summer. The colors are varied, large double flowers; bright mixed colors. The newer strains have attained great perfection and ought to be more extensively cultivated. Pkt., 5 cts.

There is MONEY in Vegetable Plants; they have everywhere a ready sale. Why not grow a supply for your nabors. See page 16.

TOMATOES.

10 Small Varieties.

This packet contains the New Zealand Fig, red and yellow Plum, Pear, Grape or Cherry, Currant, Nesbit's Victoria, Wonder of Italy, White Apple, and other choice varieties useful for pickling, preserving making tomato figs, etc. These are the finest small varieties in cultivation.

Pkt. 5 cts.

ASPARAGUS.

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Have you an asparagus bed? If not, plant one this spring. No vegetable is grown with greater ease and certainty, and none is better relished. It is the earliest and best the garden affords, and a bed well made will last a lifetime. Plant it now. "The Palmetto" is a wonderful improvement on the old sorts, being earlier, much better, and will yield double. My seed is TRUE and VERY CHOICE. Plant a pound and sell plants to all your nabors at a profit of $50.00 or more. ☞ See page 6.

LARGE GOLDEN OREGON ONION.
UNANIMOUSLY ENDORSED BY ALL
WHO HAVE GROWN IT.
1087 BUSHELS ON ONE ACRE.
SUREST GROWER OF THEM ALL.
THE VERY BEST OF LONG KEEPERS.
SELECTED SEED—HIGHEST GRADE.
A SURE MONEY MAKER.

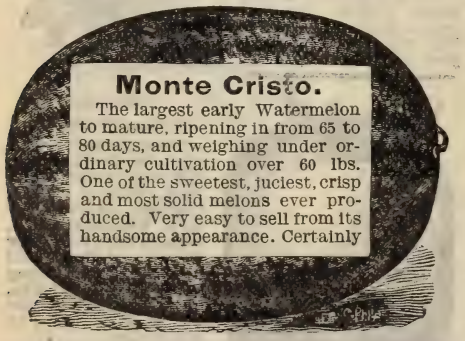
LARGE GOLDEN OREGON ONION.

I offer my customers and all critical onion growers, seed of my select strain of Golden Oregon onion. This is a very handsome onion, thin yellow skin, white flesh, fine grained, firm and of extra flavor. It is the result of years of labor in the most careful selection with a view to EARLINESS, PERFECT SHAPE, SOLIDITY, and EXTRA KEEPING QUALITIES. It grows to a very large size, flattened but thick through as shown in the above illustration. It is an enormous yielder, and is in every way all that can be desired as a market or table onion. I hope every one of my customers will plant it. All growers who give it special care may certainly expect extraordinary results. My grower writes—

"I planted a measured half acre (Prairie soil) and gathered from the same 452 bushels of the finest onions, and now have them in my onion house awaiting planting time next spring. (This is at the rate of 904 bushels per acre.) In an exhibit of 17 varieties of onions at our State Fair (from both foreign and home grown seed,) The Golden Oregon took the first premium over all competitors. It is certainly the most remarkable onion before the people to day."

E. Pollock, Van Buren Co., Mich. writes;—We planted an acre of your Golden Oregon, and they were the nicest onions ever raised here—and this section is noted for its fine onions.

Price per large packet 10 cents, 3 for 25 cents, 7 for 50 cents, oz. 25 cents, ¼ lb. 50 cents. lb. $1.50.



Monte Cristo.

The largest early Watermelon to mature, ripening in from 65 to 80 days, and weighing under ordinary cultivation over 60 lbs. One of the sweetest, juciest, crisp and most solid melons ever produced. Very easy to sell from its handsome appearance. Certainly the finest appearing melon ever grown for market or table use. Mr. Dodge, the Veteran melon grower says:—The "Monte Cristo is the best melon I ever raised—not half of its good qualities have been told." I have placed the price within the reach of all. Order Early. Liberal packet. 10 cents; 3 for 25 cents.

Selected Flower Seeds

is one of my specialties, and my trade in them,—always large,—is rapidly increasing. My customers can rely upon getting those of the very best quality and finest strains. I warrant my FLOWER SEEDS as fully as I do my Vegetable Seeds, and I guarantee all to be fresh, true to name, and of good vitality.

S. WILSON, Mechanicsville, Pa. writes:—"We think the Cinnamon Vine is one of the most desirable house plant for winter; it blooms as freely in the house as out doors and they can be trained over and around a window, and will fill a room with a delightful fragrance in the cold and dreary winter months.

REFERENCES.

[FOR STRANGERS TO READ]

Po'keepsie Nat'l Bank.
The Comm. Agencies.
My P. M. and Exp. Ag.
The Farm Journal,
Ag. Epitomist.
Green's Fruit Grower.
A. I. Root Co.

IT PAYS TO GET **UP CLUBS.**

O! What a Chance.

$0.50	Buys $0.65
$1.00	Buys $1 50
$2.00	Buys $3.25
$3.00	Buys $5.00
$4.00	Buys $7.50
$5.00	Buys $10.00

OF SEEDS IN PACKETS.

WHY NOT GET UP **A CLUB?**

Special to Boys and Girls.

I will be pleased to send a nice large packet of Choice Flower Seeds free, to any Girl or Boy under 16 years, who will without assistance read the following.

EACH answer MUST be accompanied by an order for seeds (no matter how small,) from some of their friends. Answer, name, and address, should be on a separate slip of paper. This is a STANDING OFFER, please show it to your young friends.

TRY FOR A DAY, or a week—getting up clubs for my seeds, and you will be surprised at your success. If you cannot do this will you do me the favor to show my SPECIAL OFFER on page 2 to some club raiser, or canvasser,—or to any wide-awake Girl or Boy anxious to make money. You will do both them and me a kindness.

IMPORTANT. I Particularly request that you send your orders early—before the rush comes.

TEAR OFF at this line and use in ordering. I will send you more Order Sheets, Envelopes; also Catalogs for distribution if you will be good enough to hand them out. I will remember your kindness.

ORDER SHEET.

A. T. COOK, HYDE PARK, DUTCHESS COUNTY, N. Y.

I PREPAY EVERYTHING offered in this catalog, and deliver free to your nearest Postoffice or Express Office—on receipt of price. I PACK in strong boxes and GUARANTEE everything to reach you safely, and that all will be satisfactory, in so far that should any prove otherwise I will cheerfully refill order for same gratis—thus I warrant everything but the crop, and make the purchase of seeds by mail the safest investment possible.

ALL REMITTANCES by Money Order, Bank Draft or Registered Letter is at my risk. You may select extra seeds to cover cost of Money Order or Register. Carry out the price of each item and add up the full amount. Use this sheet for order only, other remarks—if any, please make on a separate sheet of paper.

VERY IMPORTANT. Write plainly WITH INK giving your name and full address every time you write.

Date_____189

☞ Please write your name and address with ink very plainly here.	Amount enclosed.
NAME.....	P. O. ORDER.....
POST OFFICE.....	EXP. ORDER.....
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STATE.....	CASH.....
EXPRESS OFFICE..... (If different from Post-office.)	STAMPS.....

Quantity.	Names of Seeds, etc., wanted.	Price.

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BE SURE AND READ EVERY WORD.

VALUABLE SEEDS GIVEN AWAY.

Never before have I put up so many valuable NEW SEEDS free for trial, and never before have my customers received as many as will be added to their orders this season. Those sending small orders will receive several packets free, and larger orders will be treated with corresponding liberality. ☞ Order early and secure these treasures, the supply of some may be exhausted later. My customers tell me they don't see how I can give so many extras.

A GREAT FAVOR.

If you will promise to hand out a few of my catalogs and circulars (to persons interested,) I will pack them with your order, and also send you something VERY CHOICE in seeds for this favor, that will more than pay you for your kindness.

If in addition you will write plainly on another sheet of paper the names and addresses of a few friends and Club Agents, (especially at other Post-offices) I will mail them my catalog, and remember you. It costs money to advertise by any method, and in this way you get the benefit—and not the newspapers. I am always glad to have customers show my seeds to friends and tell them how liberal I have been in filling their orders.

TO CLUB AGENTS AND LARGE BUYERS.

Be sure and read my liberal discounts offered on pages 2 and 12. I am positive they are the VERY BEST offered by any reliable Seedsman in the United States. Here is a grand chance to make money. Begin to-day and get up a club and keep the difference between the retail and clubbing price, and you will be certain to make wages that will surprise and gratify you.

If however this does not interest you please show it to some of your club-raising friends, and you may do both of us a favor.

LAST BUT NOT LEAST.

I much desire that customers remit by Money Order—when they can (instead of postage stamps,) or get paper currency, or silver and wrap well and have your Postmaster register your letter. Remember I will accept stamps at all times but prefer you send by above methods when convenient. At all events send me your orders and do the best you can, and I will promise you GOOD seeds and GOOD measure. Your money will not go to pay for painted catalogs costly advertising or foolish "prizes" that not one in ten thousand ever sees. With many thanks for past orders, and wishing you a happy prosperous season, I am,

Very Sincerely Yours, A. T. COOK.

"IT ALWAYS PAYS TO MAKE HOME BEAUTIFUL."

MY UNRIVALLED

Gem Collection

OF EASY GROWING

Pretty Flowers,

ALMOST GIVEN AWAY—TO INTRODUCE.

They will bring sunshine to your heart and brighten your home—making a most gorgeous display; and supply thousands of brilliant blossoms for yourself and friends during the entire season.

LIST OF SEEDS. (NO CHANGES CAN BE MADE.)

ASTERS. Finest Double Mixed. 30 varieties.	10
CANDYTUFT. Pure White; very fragrant.	5
PRIZE POPPIES. Forty gorgeous varieties.	10
SENSITIVE PLANT. Curious and interesting.	5
GILIAS. All the nicest varieties and colors,	5
LOVE-IN-A-MIST. A free-flowering annual.	5
CALENDULA, Meteor. The handsomest of all.	5
CHRYSANTHEMUMS. A grand mixture.	5
CLARKIA. Charming flowers. All colors.	5
AMARANTHUS. A grand and unique bloomer.	5
PETUNIAS. Forty varieties and colors.	10
ROSE-OF-HEAVEN. Ornamental and charming.	5
RICINUS, Tricolor. Very ornamental, 12 feet.	10
ZINNIA. Large Double. 20 beautiful colors.	5

To introduce my Beauties in every home, and make people happy, I will send the above entire Collection—14 large, full-size packets; fresh tested seeds, safely boxed and mailed to any address for only 25 cts. 3 for 60 cts. 6 for $1,00. 12 for $2.00.

☞ Get up a club of 12 at 25 cts. each and keep $1.00 for your trouble. Almost every one will be glad of a chance to get such an immense bargain.

Introduction Box

OF DESIRABLE HIGH-GRADE

Vegetable Seeds

FOR THE FAMILY GARDEN.

I earnestly desire every planter in America to give my selected seeds a FAIR TRIAL, for I know them to be such as will advertise themselves and secure permanent customers. Hence the following unparalelled offer—all for 60 cts., to introduce.

LIST OF SEEDS. (NO CHANGES CAN BE MADE.)

Mixed Table Beets,	10	Evergreen Corn,	10
Boston Mkt. Celery,	5	Prize Head Lettuce,	5
Savoy Cabbage,	5	White Egg Turnip,	5
Strasburg Radish,	5	White Velvet Okra,	5
Garden Lemon,	5	Curled Cress,	5
Preserving Citron,	5	Mixed Muskmelons.	10
Early Pole Bean,	10	Best Spinach,	5
Mixed Watermelons,	10	Large Sugar Parsnip,	5
Perfect Gem Squash,	5	Mixed Tomatoes,	10
Extra Curled Parsley,	5	Ox Heart Carrot,	5
Sugar Pumpkin,	5	Spine Cucumber,	5

TOTAL 22 LARGE PACKETS, WORTH $1.40.

I will mail the above Introduction Box, safely packed for only 60 cents, two for $1.00—four for $2.00—ten for $4.00. ☞ Get up a club of 10 at 60 cts. each, and keep $2.00 for your trouble. This offer is made solely to introduce my superior seeds in thousands of new homes. Will you not help me? Extra Catalogs etc. all you can use, free.

A FEW TESTIMONIALS.

From W. C Rickley, Little Blue, mo. The cabbage seed I bought of you produced fine large heads of uniform size and sold for 60 cts. per Doz., when others got only 30 to 40 cts.

From J. C. Miller, S. Lyndeboro, N. H. March, 1896. I raised over half a bushel of seed of Tree Beans from one packet. The Shoe Peg Corn averaged 2½ ears to a stalk; I never saw the like. The Garden Lemon and Vegetable Peach are all you recommend them to be.

From John Laird, Agent, Aiken, S. C. We are more than pleased with all the seeds and liberal extras. Indeed we can hardly see how you manage to give so much.

From W. S. Brite, Pierce City, mo. "Introduction Box" received. I am pleased, as there are more seeds in the box than I could buy in Pierce City for $2.50.

From Miss Mary Nesbett, Harmony, Pa. I had the loveliest of flower beds from your seed, and lots of people walked two miles to get a bouquet. Many city boarders gave me a dime and some 15 cents for a small bunch of flowers. The Sweet Peas, Sweet Williams, and Verbenas were especially beautiful. I cannot thank you enough for the extras you sent. My Aunt was here, she said "I have seen many people get extras, but I never saw the like of this man before." The seeds would have filled a half bushel basket. I raised 3,000 seeds on one Giant Sunflower.

THE CINNAMON VINE.

THE CINNAMON VINE is one of the most beautiful of climbers and will quickly surround an arbor, window or veranda with a great profusion of vines covered with handsome, glossy, heart-shaped leaves and sweet scented flowers, making it a perfect bower of beauty. The roots are perfectly hardy—thriving everywhere, and if once planted will grow for many years, and be a source of constant delight to the possessor. The vines often run 25 feet or more and when trained over and about a window or veranda is universally admired, while its many clusters of delicate white flowers sends out an amount of fragrance that is as truly wonderful as it is indescribable.

MISS EMMA A. FIELD, Elyria, O., writes:—It is a beautiful vine of rapid growth, beautiful foliage, and a perfume that is perfect.

There is nothing will give a home a more homelike and cosy appearance, or be a surer index of refinement and culture than Beautiful Vines twining about the porch and trellises. Ornamental climbers are natures drapery, and nothing produced by art, and few if any in nature can equal the Cinnamon Vine twining and climbing in its own native and graceful beauty.

—— A FEW TESTIMONIALS. ——

L. and M. J. Clarkson, Authors of "Art Studies," Pleasant Valley, N. Y., writes:—To say that we were pleased with the Cinnamon Vine seems a feeble expression of our thanks. No vine ever gave us so much continued pleasure. The growth is truly phenomenal. Its handsome foliage and fragrant blossoms commend it to every lover of flowers. If its merits were more widely known you would be overwhelmed with orders.

W. E. Weeks, Barre, Mass. April, 1896. writes:—I enclose order for 100 more Cinnamon Vines. I sold the last package in less than fifteen minutes.

From Bessie L. Putnam in Epitomist. The Cinnamon Vine rivalled in growth the famous bean-stalk and when in bloom, as ours was for weeks last season, one might almost believe that the spice-laden odors of its native Philippines had been transported with it so aromatic is its fragrance.

PRICES OF THE CINNAMON VINE.

I am the largest grower in the world and offer them at one-half usual prices. ☞ Buy at Headquarters and get the best. Order them now, as it is no trouble to keep roots until planting time.

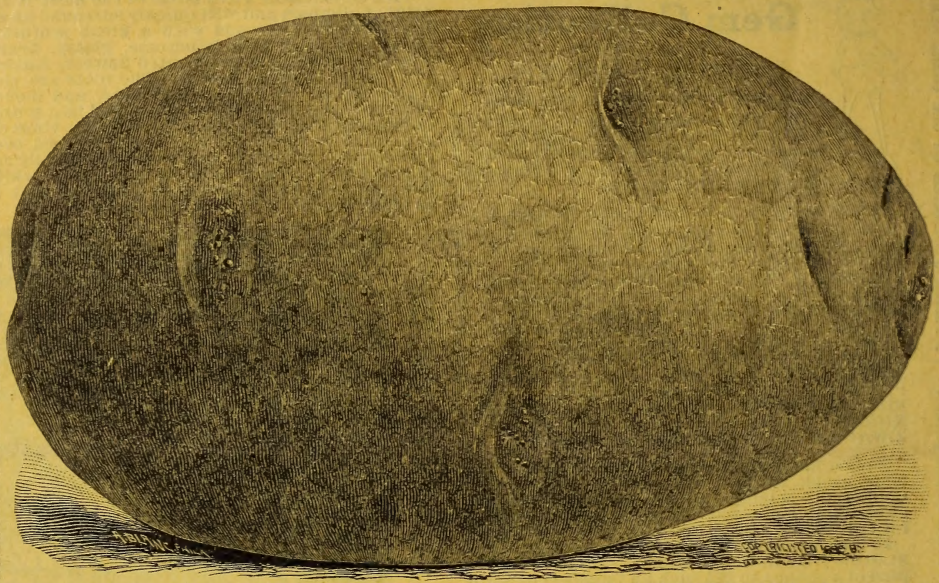
1	root	postpaid for	10 cents.
5	"	"	25 "
15	"	"	50 "
40	"	"	$1.00 "
100	"	"	$2.00 "

I pack in boxes and guarantee safe arrival. Full directions for planting etc., accompany the roots.

MY GRAND DOLLAR COLLECTION

contains everything on this page—Introduction Box, Gem Collection, and Five Cinnamon Vines. Total value $2.55, but in order to secure many new customers, I will mail all complete for $1.00, or 6 Boxes for $5.00. Please show this to friends.

Greatest Money Maker of Them All.



Early Thoroughbred Potato.

(☞ Be sure and read the testimonials in next column– especially Mr. Terry's.)

A new potato, and the best one yet; it would seem that perfection was at last attained. Very early, fine-flavored, and without doubt the most tremendous cropper of all. The flesh is clear white and when baked or boiled breaks open like a snowball—white and floury.

The Thoroughbred besides being so early, is very handsome, (see cut from a photograph of an average specimen,) a hardy, strong, and vigorous grower, of superb keeping, and table qualities, and an enormous yielder. In fact all who have tried it consider it

A PERFECT POTATO.

With extra soil and cultivation it can readily be made to produce 500 bushels or more per acre. New varieties invariably yield the best, and millions of dollars are annually lost by planting old, run-out sorts. I thank good fortune that I have such a valuable acquisition to offer, and every potato grower should be thankful to be able to obtain it on such favorable terms. Mr. Terry was offered $10.00 a piece for single tubers, and every purchaser of my seed should make an enormous profit on the crop he grows, for every potato raised this season will be worth a big price. My seed is genuine—direct from Headquarters, and every tuber I offer is of my own growing—PURE and TRUE. Beware of spurious seed as much of it will be offered by unscrupulous parties. If you want the greatest cropper, the hardiest, and absolutely the surest money-maker, then you want this greatest of all potatoes—

THE EARLY THOROUGHBRED.

Price Delivered Prepaid.

25	whole tubers,	selected,	$1.00.
60	"	"	$2.00.
100	"	"	$3.00.
200	"	"	$5.00.
500	"	"	$10.00.
1,000	"	"	$18.00.

With care in cutting you can easily make from 5 to 10 hills from each tuber.

Full directions for cutting, planting, cultivating, etc., to secure a mammoth yield—sent free with orders. This may be worth dollars to you.

NOTE—to those who prefer "eyes" cut ready for planting—each with a good-size piece of potato attached—I will send FOUR TIMES as many eyes as of whole tubers offered above, at the prices given. Each eye is sufficient for a large hill. All safely boxed and prepaid.

A FEW TESTIMONIALS.

W. E. Thompson, of Mo. Sept. 1896. writes:—We dug 119 lbs. of Early Thoroughbred—all grown from one pound planted; one weighed 29 ounces.

Harry C. Hammond, of Mich. the largest grower of seed potatoes in the world says, "The new Thoroughbred will certainly MAKE MORE MONEY for those who handle it than any other variety."

From the "Practical Farmer," written by H. F. Smith, the noted potato grower. I planted the new Thoroughbreds as a test side by side with the best sorts I had—54 different varieties; and they yielded MORE THAN DOUBLE all the rest, or at the rate of 733½ bushels per acre. They had just the same care and cultivation given the whole field. I am sure they will make everywhere a wonderful record.

W. J. Manley, Mich. Sept. 1896. writes:—I dug and picked up 150 bushel boxes heaped full, of Early Thoroughbreds. These all grew on 10 rows each 35 rods long. I never saw the like before, and everyone who sees them say the same. Their quality is EXCELLENT. They received only ordinary cultivation—and no fertilizer used.

From the PRACTICAL FARMER, written by T. B. Terry,—the most noted—the most successful—and the man who has made the most money growing potatoes of any in America. He says, "Blood will Tell." Yes it will, no matter whether in stock or seed. I planted two tubers weighing one-half pound, of the Early Thoroughbreds with a number of other varieties. To make the trial more complete I got two tubers of Early Rose of same size from an old farmers cellar, and planted them by the side of the others. All were planted on average ground and worked precisely as the rest of our field crop. No fertilizer of any sort used.

I was never so surprised in all my life in potato culture, as when I dug those Thoroughbreds. In every hill there were great, large, beautiful potatoes such as I had never seen since the Early Rose first came around—25 years ago. They yielded just THREE TIMES as much as those from the farmers cellar. The vigor and vitality of the new seedling enables it under the same conditions to grow three times as many bushels.

There is a great lesson taught here. Thousands of farmers are using old run-out seed and growing a crop at no profit. You will make a great mistake if you don't change seed occasionly and get the benefit of new blood.

FRIENDS. In conclusion I will say, I am in POSITION to fill ALL your orders liberally, promptly and with care. I am within two minutes walk of the Postoffice, and have 5 mails a day. Last season I filled my orders (on an average) in less than 6 hours of receipt of same. I hope to do as well this year. To my Friends I return many thanks. My business shows that my seeds and efforts to please have been a success and is appreciated by those

WHO KNOW WHAT GOOD SEEDS ARE.

A LIBERAL NUMBER of extras given away with all orders—with potatoes as well as seeds.

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